## Senate Resolution 2

Sponsored by Senator SHIELDS, Representative FREDERICK

## SUMMARY

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In memoriam: Geneva Knauls, 1935-2014.

## SENATE RESOLUTION

2 Whereas Geneva Knauls was born Geneva Frazier on December 24th, 1935, in Minden,

3 Louisiana; and

4 Whereas Geneva Knauls' parents moved the family to Vancouver, Washington, shortly after; and

Whereas Geneva Knauls finished barber school in 1962 and worked at Cash and Maxey's Barber

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6 Shop as one of only a handful of female barbers in Portland; and

7 Whereas Geneva Knauls married Paul Knauls on September 19th, 1965, and together they pur-8 chased a property to found Geneva's Shear Perfection Barber and Beauty Salon; and

9 Whereas Geneva's Shear Perfection now employs 13 barbers and beauticians and is open seven
10 days a week; and

11 Whereas Geneva Knauls and her husband and business partner, Paul Knauls, also owned and

operated the Cotton Club, Paul's and Geneva's Restaurant and Lounge, clubs that became staples
 of Portland's African-American night life scene; and

Whereas Geneva Knauls was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church, the Urban League of Portland, the Ebony Rose Ski Club, the Bubbling Brown Sugars social club and the Alpha Chi Pi Omega Sorority, Alpha Mu Beta chapter; and

17 Whereas throughout her life Geneva Knauls won many business and professional awards and 18 accolades, including the Business Excellence Award, the King Neighborhood Business Award and 19 the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Women of Excellence Award; and

20 Whereas Geneva Knauls passed away on December 20, 2014; and

21 Whereas Geneva Knauls was a luminary and will be remembered for her support of many 22 grassroots projects and organizations and her services to the community; now, therefore,

## 23 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Senate of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, honor and celebrate the life and achievements of Geneva Knauls, entrepreneur and community leader; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Geneva Knauls as an expression of our sympathy and condolences.

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