

To the committee:

Please consider naming rescue dogs as the Official Oregon State Dog:

· H.C.R. 16 will promote the adoption of dogs from rescues and shelters, resulting in saved lives and less cost in caring for dogs in shelters; · H.C.R. 16 acknowledges the work of Oregon's amazing animal sheltering professionals who work every day to care for dogs in shelters and find them permanent, loving homes; · H.C.R. 16 recognizes that all kinds and types of dogs are represented in Oregon's shelters, including purebred and mixed breed dogs, all of whom have the potential to be a loving companion for the right person.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely, Jean Nelson
Eugene, OR

and proud owner of a rescue dog!!!