I respectfully urge you to vote NO on HCR 16. A rescue dog as Oregon's state dog will only encourage irresponsible breeding and the "dumping" of unwanted dogs and puppies. If you must select a state dog, how about Service Dogs (which cover all breeds and mixed breeds) to exemplify the human-canine bond. Or consider the Newfoundland, which accompanied the Lewis and Clark expedition. Thank you.

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