

Dear members of the House Committee on Rules, My name is Emily AhYou and I reside at 2155 5th Avenue in the old Willamette area of a West Linn.

My husband Richard is a dentist in Oregon City. Both Richard and I have volunteered for various animal welfare related causes for over twenty years. We have rescued many animals that have become beloved family pets. We have seen the great deal of work and dedication of animal shelters trying to do their part for the homeless pet overpopulation issue. We are very excited to hear about the legislation proposal of making the shelter dog the official state dog of Oregon. HCR 16 would send a positive message to the public that Oregon cares about all dogs and recognizes the need to find homes for these animals. Every breed of dog has unfortunately ended up in a shelter and encouraging adoption helps the shelters and the tax payers. This is an awesome idea and we hope you pass HCR 16!

Thank you so much,
Emily & Richard AhYou