

**Please vote YES on HCR 16!** Designating the shelter dog as our state's official state dog will boost adoptions of all the wonderful dogs in shelters across the state and acknowledge the great work of Oregon's animal shelter professionals!

I'm sharing below a photo of our beloved Nemo – My husband, Dave and I rescued Nemo from [Oregon Humane Society](#). Sadly, Dave and I lost our sweet Nemo in a horrific house fire in 2000. We knew then that we wanted to always give back to the rescue world in honor of Nemo. After the loss of Nemo we adopted two more dogs from OHS -- they passed away a few years ago and today we are lucky to have 3 more rescued pups in our home! Quite frankly, we need more adoptions and less breeding -- there are far too many dogs locked in cages without a home. This legislation will give rescues the much needed publicity they deserve.

**Please vote YES on HCR 16...do it in honor of Nemo!**

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