A-Engrossed House Concurrent Resolution 15

Ordered by the House February 22 Including House Amendments dated February 22

Sponsored by Representatives KENNEMER, OLSON, Senator OLSEN (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Recognizes and honors Oregon State Police Trooper William Thomas Levinson (1925-1950) for his service to this state.

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 Whereas Oregon State Police Trooper William Thomas Levinson was born on February 1, 1925, 3 in Syracuse, Indiana, to William and Ruby Levinson and had one sister; and

Whereas Trooper Levinson left high school in July 1942 to enlist in the United States Navy, where he received a Purple Heart and three Bronze Stars while serving his country; and

6 Whereas in 1945 Trooper Levinson married Neva Severy, with whom he had a daughter, 7 Patricia, and a son, Rod William; and

8 Whereas Trooper Levinson was honorably discharged from the military in March 1949 and 9 joined the Oregon State Police in May of that year, serving in Salem; and

Whereas on September 7, 1950, upon learning of a daily report that needed to be delivered,
Trooper Levinson volunteered to transport it by motorcycle; and

12 Whereas while stopped near a railroad crossing, Trooper Levinson's motorcycle engaged into 13 gear and collided with a passing train; and

14 Whereas Trooper Levinson was thrown into the side of the train and died immediately; and

15 Whereas Trooper Levinson was survived by his parents, his wife and his four-year-old daughter 16 and nine-month-old son; and

Whereas Trooper Levinson enjoyed motorcycles, reading, helping people and spending time with his family and neighborhood children; and

19 Whereas Trooper Levinson did an important job and did it with passion, dedication and dili-20 gence; and

21 Whereas Trooper Levinson's loss was deeply felt by his family, his fellow officers and his many 22 friends; now, therefore,

23 Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Trooper William Thomas Levinson for his service to this state.

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