

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 19

By COMMITTEE ON RULES

May 3

1 Delete lines 2 through 18 of the printed concurrent resolution and insert:

2 “Whereas the Marion blackberry was introduced by George F. Waldo of the United States De-  
3 partment of Agriculture (USDA) in Corvallis, Oregon, in 1956 as part of the USDA-Agricultural  
4 Research Service berry breeding program run in collaboration with Oregon State University; and

5 “Whereas the Marion is a hybrid blackberry that is a cross between the ‘Chehalem’ and  
6 ‘Olallieberry’ cultivars; and

7 “Whereas the Marion blackberry is named after Marion County, where it was tested extensively;  
8 and

9 “Whereas 95 percent of the world’s Marion blackberries are grown in Oregon; and

10 “Whereas the Marion blackberry is a trailing, vigorous grower that produces canes up to 20 feet  
11 in length and up to six tons of berries per acre; and

12 “Whereas the Willamette Valley’s climate, with moist spring rains and summers that are dry and  
13 warm during the day and cool at night, is ideal for growing Marion blackberries; and

14 “Whereas Oregon is the primary grower of Marion blackberries globally, producing 21 million  
15 pounds annually with 300 Oregon growers and 20 Oregon packers engaged in the production and  
16 packing of Marion blackberries; and

17 “Whereas the Marion blackberry is a nutritious food that is very high in antioxidants, vitamins  
18 and fiber and is recognized as having a profound and positive effect on health; and

19 “Whereas one of the most delicious ways to eat Marion blackberries is in a Marionberry pie;  
20 and”.

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