House Concurrent Resolution 37

Sponsored by Representative BARNHART, Senator BEYER; Representatives FAHEY, HOLVEY, LIVELY, NATHANSON, Senators DEVLIN, MANNING JR, PROZANSKI

SUMMARY

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Congratulates University of Oregon on its academic and athletic achievements.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas in keeping with its reputation for excellence, the University of Oregon has achieved a series of significant academic and athletic accomplishments in 2016 and 2017; and

Whereas 1,628 University of Oregon students qualified for the dean's list during fall term 2016, and 1,809 students qualified during winter term 2017; and

Whereas with 47 University of Oregon graduates entering the Peace Corps this year, the University of Oregon ranks 11th nationally for the number of Peace Corps volunteers from large universities; and

Whereas University of Oregon archaeologist Jon Erlandson received the 2017 Martin Baumhoff Special Achievement Award for his work on the coastal migration theory; and

Whereas University of Oregon biologists recently produced a detailed reference genome of the gulf pipefish, providing a new tool for exploring an ancient fish family that includes seahorses and that through genetic changes has generated bodies with vastly different features; and

Whereas the West Coast earthquake early warning system, ShakeAlert, is closer to its potentially life-saving full implementation, due to expanding seismic monitoring in Oregon and the work of the University of Oregon and its project partners; and

Whereas the University of Oregon-based Network Startup Resource Center and its director, Steven Huter, received the 2017 Innovations in Networking Award for Broadband Applications from the Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California; and

Whereas the University of Oregon Allan Price Science Commons and Research Library remodel and expansion earned from the American Institute of Architects (AIA), in partnership with the American Library Association (ALA), one of only eight 2017 AIA/ALA Library Building Awards; and

Whereas in addition to its academic achievements in 2016 and 2017, the University of Oregon has earned athletic acclaim; and

Whereas the University of Oregon won both the 2016 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Women's Cross Country Championship and the 2017 NCAA Women's Indoor Track and Field Championship; and

Whereas the University of Oregon has the only Division I athletic department in the country to have won multiple NCAA team titles in each of the last five years; and

Whereas the University of Oregon has won 16 NCAA team championships since 2010, more than any other college in the nation; and

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- Whereas University of Oregon athlete Edward Cheserek won his 16th and 17th individual titles at the 2017 NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships, breaking the record for the most combined national cross country and track and field championships won in NCAA history, a record formerly set at 15 and held since 1982 by Suleiman Nyambui from the University of Texas at El Paso; and
 - Whereas in 2017, the University of Oregon Men's Basketball Team advanced to its first NCAA Final Four since 1939, when the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament was an eight-team tournament; and
 - Whereas in 2017, the University of Oregon Men's Basketball Team won its second consecutive Pacific-12 (Pac-12) Conference regular season title; and
- Whereas the University of Oregon is one of only five schools to have won at least one game in each of the last five NCAA Men's Basketball Tournaments; and
 - Whereas the University of Oregon Men's Basketball Team is one of only four teams to have won at least 30 games in each of the last two seasons; and
 - Whereas the University of Oregon Men's Basketball Team set a school record of 33 wins in its 2016-2017 season, which also boasted the highest attendance since 1978 and seven sold-out games at Matthew Knight Arena; and
 - Whereas in 2017, the University of Oregon Women's Basketball Team made the Elite Eight in the NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament for the first time in school history; and
 - Whereas seeded at number 10, the University of Oregon Women's Basketball Team was the first double-digit seeded team in the Elite Eight since 2011; and
 - Whereas the University of Oregon Women's Softball Team tied the NCAA record for consecutive wins to start a season, winning its first 35 games of the 2017 season; and
 - Whereas these outstanding points of pride mark the University of Oregon's ongoing commitment to excellence and reflect well on the university and Ducks throughout this state; now, therefore,

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

We, the members of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly, congratulate the University of Oregon on its history of excellence and on its recent academic and athletic achievements.

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