

**Enrolled**  
**Senate Concurrent Resolution 27**

Sponsored by Senator MONNES ANDERSON, Representative MALSTROM; Senators DEVLIN, GELSER, TAYLOR, Representatives BYNUM, WILLIAMSON

Whereas the Oregon Commission for Women presents the Women of Achievement Award to women in Oregon for leading and succeeding in their areas of expertise, promoting the status of women in society, reflecting a commitment to equity and diversity and serving as exemplary role models; and

Whereas Nancy Campbell Mead has spent a lifetime as an attorney, judge and advocate in support of equity and diversity for Oregon's most vulnerable communities and is a tireless champion of the rights of all women and girls; and

Whereas formerly an attorney practicing family law, Nancy Campbell Mead became Washington County's first woman judge when she was appointed to the Washington County District Court in 1988, serving continuously until her retirement from the circuit court in 2006, and during her tenure was instrumental in establishing the county's Domestic Violence Intervention Council; and

Whereas Nancy Campbell Mead moved to Depoe Bay after retirement and turned her attention to full-time advocacy, working to revive the local National Organization for Women (NOW) chapter, of which she is a past president, and currently serving as the executive director of the organization's Central Oregon Coast NOW Foundation, which provides community and educational services for women and girls; and

Whereas Nancy Campbell Mead serves on NOW's national board of directors, representing the northwest region, and is on the board's Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) Committee and Racial Justice Committee; and

Whereas Nancy Campbell Mead has generously contributed her time and expertise as an advisory board member of the TransActive Gender Center, as the organizer of a national training conference on domestic violence in LGBTQ+ relationships, as a vocal advocate for the continued funding of the Family Preservation Project and as a strong promoter of the Oregon Equal Rights for Women Initiative (Ballot Measure 89 (2014)); and

Whereas Nancy Campbell Mead is recognized as an indomitable leader and advocate whose work to effect change on the local, state and national levels has created a powerful legacy for this and future generations; and

Whereas Chanpone Sinlapasai-Okamura is a fearless advocate for immigrants and refugees whose own family's experience in coming to the United States as refugees from Laos informs her work; and

Whereas as a partner in the law firm Marandas Sinlapasai, Chanpone Sinlapasai-Okamura represents clients on general immigration law matters, including deportation defense and appeal, visas, citizenship issues and consular processing, and her practice focuses particularly on assisting children who are survivors of domestic violence, human trafficking and other serious crime; and

Whereas Chanpone Sinlapasai-Okamura's extensive volunteer work as a community activist includes leadership positions with the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon, the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization and the Asian Family Center, providing guidance in civic engagement and policy advocacy; and

Whereas Chanpone Sinlapasai-Okamura is a bridge builder between vulnerable community members and criminal justice systems through her work with the Federal Bureau of Investigation Youth Academy in Portland and is a strong advocate for victims' rights as the chair of the Department of Justice's Immigrant Crime Victim's Enforcement Committee; and

Whereas Chanpone Sinlapasai-Okamura's service on the Task Force on Immigration Consultant Fraud helped to advance legislation that increased law enforcement's ability to take action against fraudulent notarios who prey on refugees and immigrants; and

Whereas Chanpone Sinlapasai-Okamura is known as a community change maker who builds relationships, fosters partnerships and takes direct action with energy, compassion and resolve; and

Whereas each of these women is a dynamic leader and role model with a strong record of service to the community; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly, recognize Nancy Campbell Mead and Chanpone Sinlapasai-Okamura as Oregon Women of Achievement.

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Adopted by Senate April 27, 2017

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Lori L. Bocker, Secretary of Senate

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

Adopted by House June 20, 2017

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House