

HCR 19-1
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Requested by Representative MALSTROM

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 19**

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
3 the United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”) in Corvallis, Oregon,
4 in 1956 as part of the USDA-Agricultural Research Service berry breeding
5 program run in collaboration with Oregon State University; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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