



February 21, 2018

Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Rules:

I heartily endorse SCR 205 honoring Dr. Joe Robertson's contributions to the State of Oregon. During his time leading OHSU, he has succeeded in making OHSU a world class institution while still retaining a deep and abiding commitment to our home.

As a founding Board Member of Health Share of Oregon, the state's largest Coordinated Care Organization serving one-third of the Oregon Health Plan population, Dr. Robertson brought his intellect and his sense of humor to what was a difficult and time-consuming task. There was never a doubt that he was fully committed to serving this population and he not only lent his personal time and talents to the development of Health Share, but he generously shared the skills of many of his employees at OHSU. Health Share is a stronger company because of his contributions.

In 2012, I remember him sharing the fact that he still performed retinal surgeries on premature babies, and I marveled at how a man with hands the size of a catcher's mitt could perform such a delicate surgery on the smallest of human beings. I guess that may be what separates somebody like Dr. Joe Robertson from others, he can take an organization the size of OHSU and make it soar while remembering the value of the individual person, no matter how small.

I hope you will join many others in honoring Dr. Robertson's contributions by voting in favor of SCR 205.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janet Meyer", with a large, stylized initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Janet L. Meyer
Chief Executive Officer