

1 Whereas Dr. Guadalupe Guajardo, whose family were migrant workers in Texas, currently
2 serves on the five-member leadership group directing the religious order Sisters of the Holy Names
3 of Jesus and Mary of the U.S.-Ontario Province; and

4 Whereas Dr. Guadalupe Guajardo has spent more than 40 years working as a bilingual and
5 bicultural consultant for nonprofit organizations that work with marginalized communities, and for
6 almost three decades with the Nonprofit Association of Oregon, she traveled the state helping
7 Latino communities and special interest groups develop nonprofit organizations; and

8 Whereas Dr. Guadalupe Guajardo is a cofounder of Tools for Diversity, a multicultural training
9 team that presents solutions to problems caused by privilege, prejudice, discrimination and op-
10 pression and brought anti-racism training to nonprofit organizations in response to the killing of an
11 Ethiopian student by white supremacists in Portland in 1988; and

12 Whereas Dr. Guadalupe Guajardo has championed women's rights throughout the state and
13 started the Community Leaders Resource Project, which supported reluctant women at the margins
14 of society and helped turn these women into confident leaders; and

15 Whereas Dr. Guadalupe Guajardo founded Latina Associates for Collaborative Endeavors
16 (LACE), a consortium of highly qualified Latina women professionals ready to deliver technical as-
17 sistance and capacity building to nonprofit organizations across the state; and

18 Whereas Liliana Luna is 26 years old, a Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recip-
19 ient and a graduate student in counseling education at Portland State University; and

20 Whereas Liliana Luna—as a trailblazer, educator, advocate and role model—increases equity
21 and inclusion opportunities for multicultural students, especially women of color in Oregon; and

22 Whereas Liliana Luna is coordinator of the Multicultural Center at the Rock Creek Campus of
23 Portland Community College (PCC), which provides a safe and inclusive environment to support,
24 retain and empower diverse students to achieve academic excellence and become leaders within the
25 college and their communities; and

26 Whereas Liliana Luna also leads the Diversity Council at PCC Rock Creek and has developed
27 a partnership with the Mexican consulate to provide scholarships to undocumented and DACA stu-
28 dents from Mexico; and

29 Whereas Liliana Luna's most recent accomplishment is opening the Development, Relief, and
30 Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Center at PCC Rock Creek, the first center of its kind in
31 Oregon, which will provide resources and support for undocumented and DACA students and their
32 families; and

33 Whereas Liliana Luna is a mentor to young Latina students and empowers these women to
34 achieve academic excellence and become the next generation of leaders, and her students model her
35 advocacy, commitment to education and community involvement; and

36 Whereas Liliana Luna is a champion of giving a voice to the voiceless and having them become
37 change agents in their own community; and

38 Whereas Anita Yap—as an urban planner, community leader and mentor—works tirelessly to
39 promote diverse, equitable and inclusive civic engagement models for communities and women of
40 color; and

41 Whereas Anita Yap is the founding partner of the MultiCultural Collaborative, a small business
42 consulting group that provides strategies and services to nonprofit organizations, local governments
43 and businesses to engage with diverse communities for equity, capacity building, community vision-
44 ing, urban design and public policy advocacy; and

45 Whereas Anita Yap, as a consultant, has successfully completed multiple high-profile projects

1 with a focus on community engagement with racially diverse communities, including the Jade Dis-
2 trict Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative, Cully Park Safe Access Project, Powell-Division Transit
3 and Development Project, 82nd Avenue Study and City of Portland Comprehensive Plan update; and

4 Whereas Anita Yap actively works to advance opportunities for women in the workplace and
5 is a cofounder of Diversify the Workforce, a volunteer organization that provides opportunities for
6 women of color in the Portland area to network and receive coaching and mentoring; and

7 Whereas Anita Yap volunteers with nonprofit organizations, local governments and businesses,
8 sitting on interview panels, consulting on equity hiring practices and reviewing organizational poli-
9 cies, which has helped to create much-needed space for women of color to support and help each
10 other advance in their careers; and

11 Whereas Anita Yap is a collaborative leader who is passionate about ensuring diversity, equity
12 and inclusion for all; and

13 Whereas each of these women is a dynamic leader and role model with a strong record of ser-
14 vice to the community; now, therefore,

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

16 That we, the members of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly, recognize Dr. Erlinda
17 Gonzales-Berry, Dr. Guadalupe Guajardo, Liliana Luna and Anita Yap as Oregon Women of
18 Achievement.

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