

HCR 31 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 3/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Recognizes and honors Chief John Joseph Brazil for his service to this state.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Chief John Joseph Brazil was a pillar of the Harbor, Brookings and Gold Beach communities. He passed away on August 15, 2018.

Chief John Joseph Brazil was born in Sacramento, California, to Mary and Joe Brazil, and grew up with his three sisters, Victoria, Susan and Peggy. After graduating from Norte del Rio High School in Sacramento, Chief Brazil married his high school sweetheart, Patra Richardson and together they raised two daughters, Laura and Lynn. Chief Brazil loved spending time with his family, including camping and sailing, and he especially loved coaching his children and grandchildren in their many sporting activities.

Chief Brazil had a long and successful career in telecommunications, working for Verizon, AT&T, Western Electric, Pacific Bell, and GTE until his retirement in 2002. Following his retirement, Chief Brazil and his wife moved to Harbor, Oregon, where he began working as a volunteer firefighter for the Harbor Rural Fire Protection District. Thanks to his consummate professionalism, integrity, and dedication, he quickly rose through the ranks until he became chief in 2007, a position that he held until his death.

Chief John Joseph Brazil was honored with a memorial procession of emergency vehicles stretching from the Harbor Fire Hall to the Port of Brookings Harbor and is greatly missed by his family and his many friends. House Concurrent Resolution 31 recognizes and honors Chief John Joseph Brazil for his service to the state.