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House Concurrent Resolution 4

Sponsored by Representative MORGAN; Representatives LEWIS, MOORE-GREEN, STARK (Presession filed.)

Whereas Oregon State Police Trooper Burrell Milo Baucom was born in Portland, Oregon, on January 2, 1902, to Burrell L. and Genivieve Baucom; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom met Dorothea Diamond at Oregon Agricultural College, and they were married in 1923; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom was hired as a patrol officer by the Oregon State Traffic Division in 1930, and he was assigned to patrol in the area of Medford, Oregon; and

Whereas the Oregon State Police (OSP) was formed the following year, and Trooper Baucom was hired by OSP shortly thereafter; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom was a lieutenant in the National Guard and was the very popular commanding officer of the headquarters company; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom served as a military instructor at a junior high school; and

Whereas on July 1, 1933, Trooper Baucom was patrolling north of Grants Pass, Oregon, and he stopped a motor vehicle that had been reported stolen; and

Whereas when Trooper Baucom approached the stopped vehicle, the teenaged driver shot Baucom multiple times, killing him; and

Whereas the driver and a passenger fled the scene, but they were apprehended after a massive manhunt, and both were subsequently convicted for Trooper Baucom's murder and sentenced to life imprisonment; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom was the second OSP trooper killed in the line of duty; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom was honored with a military funeral and a procession through downtown Medford, with OSP troopers serving as honorary pallbearers; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom was laid to rest in Portland following a family service; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom's loss was deeply felt by his family, his fellow officers and his many friends; and

Whereas Trooper Baucom was a dedicated law enforcement officer who served the people of the State of Oregon with honor and distinction; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Oregon State Police Trooper Burrell Milo Baucom for his service to this state.

Adopted by House April 27, 2021

Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate June 8, 2021

Peter Courtney, President of Senate