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Senate Concurrent Resolution 1

Sponsored by Senator WAGNER, Representative SALINAS (Presession filed.)

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty devoted her life to the fight for early childhood literacy and education equity; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty earned a Master of Arts in Teaching degree from Willamette University, and she brought her experience as an educator to Social Venture Partners Portland, where she worked as Community Impact Manager; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty worked tirelessly on behalf of children and families; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty never stopped asking how to bring about a world in which every child could go to preschool and every family could afford it; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was a key member of the Multnomah County Preschool for All work group, and her efforts were instrumental in securing the successful passage in November 2020 of county ballot measure 26-214, which will fund universal preschool in Multnomah County; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty truly loved her work, and she exemplified what it is to be a community changemaker; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty believed that we have the power to transform our world and make it a better place, and she led by example with her passion and commitment; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was widely admired for her intelligence, warmth and grace; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty loved animals, travel and spending time with her family; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty passed away unexpectedly; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was laid to rest on July 26, 2020, at a private family burial, and a virtual shiva minyan was held the following day; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was survived by her husband, Brian, stepdaughter, Maysa, mother, Ruth, and father, Jerry; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty is profoundly missed by her family, colleagues and many friends; and

Whereas Social Venture Partners Portland honored Sarah Cohen-Doherty’s legacy with a memorial fund in her name, dedicated to the goal that all children have access to high-quality, culturally relevant early learning experiences; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty will be forever remembered as a devoted educator and advocate who touched countless lives and made her community a better place; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly, celebrate the life and accomplishments of Sarah Cohen-Doherty, and we recognize and honor her contributions to the people of this state; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be presented to the family of Sarah Cohen-Doherty as an expression of our sympathy and condolences.

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