

SCR 7 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Diehl

House Committee On Rules

Action Date: 04/06/23

Action: Be Adopted.

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Yeas: 7 - Breese-Iverson, Fahey, Kropf, Nosse, Scharf, Valderrama, Wallan

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Memorializes Curtis Frederick "Curt" Benefiel (1926-2015).

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Learning more about Curt Benefiel's life and service
- Curt Benefiel's impact as an educator, including encouraging Sen. Girod to "get off his duff" when he was a student

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Curt Benefiel was born in Forest Grove, Oregon in 1926 and grew up in Willamina, Oregon where he met his wife of 66 years, Eva Benefiel, in elementary school. Curt Benefiel served his country with honor and distinction in the U.S. Navy. He graduated from Linfield College and began a lifelong journey in education.

Curt Benefiel was a teacher, coach, bus driver, counselor, principal, and superintendent and served as a role model for thousands of students. Curt and Eva Benefiel enjoyed traveling and teaching in new places, including Guam and rural school districts all over Oregon.

Curt Benefiel passed away at his home in Stayton, Oregon on June 16, 2015. He was followed in death by Eva and his daughter Anita, and is survived by his children Annie, Kelly, and Rex, as well as numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Curt Benefiel will be remembered as a dedicated educator who touched countless lives and made his community a better place.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 7 celebrates the life and accomplishments of Curt Benefiel.