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Senate Concurrent Resolution 13

Sponsored by Senator MANNING JR; Representative HIEB (at the request of Bob Morris)

Whereas Chief Woodrow Wilson “Woody” Whetstone was born in Oklahoma on November 14, 1917; and
Whereas Chief Whetstone had a distinguished law enforcement career that culminated in his appointment as chief of the police department in Junction City, Oregon; and
Whereas Chief Whetstone was widely respected by the members of his community and his law enforcement colleagues; and
Whereas on December 26, 1960, Chief Whetstone was taking a lunch break at home when he was approached by a man and woman seeking his help in a dispute with the woman’s armed and angry ex-boyfriend; and
Whereas while attempting to de-escalate the situation, Chief Whetstone was shot and killed; and
Whereas the assailant then shot both people who had sought Chief Whetstone’s assistance, killing the man and wounding the woman; and
Whereas pursuant to a plea agreement, the assailant was never convicted for Chief Whetstone’s murder, and he ultimately served just seven years in prison for the crimes he committed on December 26, 1960; and
Whereas Chief Whetstone was 43 years old at the time of his death, and he was survived by his beloved wife, Marian, and their sons, Duane and Alvin; and
Whereas Chief Whetstone was a dedicated law enforcement officer who served the people of the State of Oregon with honor and distinction before making the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Chief Woodrow Wilson “Woody” Whetstone for his service to this state.