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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.

Adopted by Senate June 16, 2023

Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

Rob Wagner, President of Senate

Adopted by House June 23, 2023

Dan Rayfield, Speaker of House