Whereas Alice Bartelt was born in Norfolk, Virginia, on August 27, 1947, to Ruth and Gene Parkhurst; and

Whereas as the daughter of a career Navy man, Alice Bartelt lived on the island of Cuba for several years before moving to San Diego, California, where she attended elementary school and high school and met her future husband, Richard “Dick” Alan Bartelt; and

Whereas Alice and Dick Bartelt eloped and were married in 1966 in San Francisco, California; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt earned her undergraduate degree from San Francisco State University; and

Whereas Alice and Dick Bartelt moved to Portland, Oregon, in 1970, where they raised a family and where Alice put into earnest action her lifelong passion for supporting local, national and global women's rights organizations; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt graduated with a law degree from Lewis and Clark Law School in 1981 and practiced workers' compensation law for 25 years before retiring in March 2007 from SAIF Corporation, where she served as a staff attorney; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt was a Professional Registered Parliamentarian and a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians and the American Institute of Parliamentarians; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt served as a parliamentarian for numerous organizations, including the American Association of University Women of Oregon, the Democratic Party of Oregon, the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon, the League of Women Voters of Oregon, the Oregon Association of Parliamentarians, the Oregon Republican Party, the Sons of Norway, the Washington County Democrats, WomenFirst and Zonta International; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt was an active member of, and served on the boards of, the American Association of University Women (Oregon president, 1998-2000), the American Institute of Parliamentarians, Americans United for Separation of Church and State, the Diversity Section of the Oregon State Bar, the League of Women Voters of Oregon (Advocacy Chair, 2011-2023, and president from 2023 until her death), Pro-Choice Oregon, the Oregon Association of Parliamentarians, Oregon Women Lawyers, WomenFirst and Zonta International (from 2016 until her death); and

Whereas Alice Bartelt served faithfully at the Episcopal Parish of St. John the Baptist in Portland as an acolyte and reader in worship and as a stalwart volunteer and financial contributor to the church's social ministries, especially in its material support and justice advocacy for the people of Western Farm Workers Association in Hillsboro, Oregon; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt was an active voice for democracy and for voting rights; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt was always willing to step in to fill a need, to serve as a mentor and to share her limitless knowledge of Robert’s Rules of Order and parliamentary procedures; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt spent tens of thousands of hours over the course of her remarkable life volunteering for the causes dear to her heart; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt died on August 29, 2023; and

Whereas Alice Bartelt is survived by her daughters Barb Damon and Sandy Meyers; grandchildren Scott and Hayden Meyers; sister Karen Farrington and her children; and her longtime partner, Paul Moore; now, therefore,
Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly, celebrate the life and accomplishments of Alice Bartelt, 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 Alice Bartelt as an expression of our sympathy and condolences.

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Adopted by Senate February 28, 2024

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Obadiah Rutledge, Secretary of Senate

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Rob Wagner, President of Senate

Adopted by House March 5, 2024

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Dan Rayfield, Speaker of House