Senate Concurrent Resolution 205

Sponsored by Senators WAGNER, LIEBER; Senators JAMA, TAYLOR (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Honors the life and memory of Dick Springer. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.8).

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas Dick Springer was born in Portland, Oregon, on January 25, 1948, to Joshua “Sam” and Vera Springer; and
Whereas Dick Springer first stepped into the world of politics when United States Senator Maurine Neuberger made him a Senate page as a high school sophomore in 1964, as the Senate debated what eventually became the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and
Whereas Dick Springer graduated from Cleveland High School in Portland in 1966, earned a bachelor’s degree in politics from Princeton University in 1970 and was an officer in the Reserve Officer Training Corps; and
Whereas as a lieutenant in the United States Navy for four years, Dick Springer served on the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Coral Sea, stationed off the coast of Vietnam; and
Whereas after his discharge from the Navy, Dick Springer began law school at the University of Oregon in 1974 and earned his law degree in 1978; and
Whereas Dick Springer was a deputy district attorney in Multnomah County before joining the law firm Pozzi Wilson Atchison in Portland, where he worked for 17 years; and
Whereas in 1980, Dick Springer won the first of four terms in the Oregon House of Representatives from a Portland district, rising to the chair of the House Judiciary Committee; and
Whereas Dick Springer held a seat on the board of Portland Community College from 1985 to 1988; and
Whereas in 1988, Dick Springer won the first of two terms in the Oregon Senate; and
Whereas in 1993, after the Democratic party lost four seats and lessened their majority from 20 to 16, Dick Springer became Senate Majority Leader; and
Whereas Dick Springer was a champion of the environment who served on the board of Friends of the Columbia Gorge and worked for the better part of a decade, until his retirement in 2015, on environmental issues as District Manager for the West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District; and
Whereas Dick Springer passed away on Sunday, April 9, 2023; and
Whereas Dick Springer is survived by his companion of 20 years, Jan Coulton; his former wife, Diane Linn; two children, Josh and Tess; and two grandchildren, Madeline and Miles Springer; now,
therefore,
Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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That we, the members of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly, celebrate the life and accomplishments of Dick Springer, and we recognize and honor his 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 Dick Springer as an expression of our sympathy and condolences.

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