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Senate Concurrent Resolution 30

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Whereas Oregonians appreciate the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women who defend our country against all enemies, foreign and domestic; and

Whereas the children of military families face unique challenges and we appreciate their strength and sacrifices as they support their enlisted family members, at times enduring long periods of separation; and

Whereas the children of military families are directly impacted by the deployment of one, and sometimes both, parents on full-time duty status in military service, including members of the National Guard and Reserves on active duty orders; and

Whereas we acknowledge the role we play in supporting the children of military families to help them be successful in life, in educational pursuits and in community involvement while their parents are deployed; and

Whereas Month of the Military Child was established in 1986 to recognize military children for their commitment, sacrifice, strength and unconditional support of our troops and to remind us of the opportunity to provide support and encouragement; and

Whereas as part of Month of the Military Child, there has been a growing trend to establish a day of recognition honoring the children of servicemen and women, and this day of recognition is known as Purple Up! Day; and

Whereas thousands of brave Oregonians are demonstrating their courage and commitment to freedom by serving in the Armed Forces of the United States of America here at home and abroad; and

Whereas Oregon has more than 10,000 children with a parent or parents currently serving in the military, and hundreds more children in Oregon are connected to the military through the service of siblings, aunts, uncles or grandparents; and

Whereas these children are a source of pride and honor for us all, and it is only fitting that we take time to recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit and let our men and women in uniform know that while they are taking care of us, we are taking care of their children; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly, designate April 10, 2025, as Purple Up! Day for Month of the Military Child in Oregon; and be it further

Resolved, That we encourage all Oregonians to wear purple, the color symbolizing all branches of the military, as a visible show of support and appreciation for military children for their commitment, their sacrifice and their unconditional support of our service members, because when parents serve in the military, their children serve too.

Adopted by Senate April 10, 2025

Obadiah Rutledge, Secretary of Senate

Rob Wagner, President of Senate

Adopted by House June 3, 2025

Julie Fahey, Speaker of House