

Senate Concurrent Resolution 8

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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**.

In memoriam: Blaine Whipple, 1930-2015.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas Blaine Whipple was born to Blaine and Pearl Whipple on February 22, 1930, in a log
3 cabin in Martin, South Dakota, within the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation; and

4 Whereas Blaine Whipple joined the United States Navy and served for four years; and

5 Whereas Blaine Whipple's assignments included public relations for the Military Sea Transpor-
6 tation Service and editor of the weekly newspaper at Naval Air Station Barbers Point in Oahu; and

7 Whereas Blaine Whipple attended the University of Mississippi and the University of Minnesota
8 for undergraduate work, receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Minnesota;
9 and

10 Whereas Blaine Whipple later received a Master of Science degree from the University of
11 Oregon in Journalism and Political Science, thereafter making him a lifelong Ducks fan; and

12 Whereas Blaine Whipple went on to hold jobs as advertising executive with the Pacific Slope
13 Newspapers of Seattle, executive director of the Democratic Party of Oregon, vice-president of
14 Randall Construction of Portland and owner and broker of Blaine Whipple Realty of Portland; and

15 Whereas making the world a better and more just place for all people was a driving force in
16 Blaine Whipple's life; and

17 Whereas Blaine Whipple saw politics as a way to accomplish his goals and immersed himself in
18 Democratic Party elections and politics, serving as campaign manager for the Charles O. Porter for
19 Congress Committee, campaign chairperson for the Howard Morgan for United States Senate Com-
20 mittee, executive director for the Democratic Party of Oregon, delegate to the 1968 Democratic
21 National Convention in Chicago, chairperson of the 1976 Oregon delegation to the Democratic Na-
22 tional Convention in New York City, Oregon campaign chairperson for the Eugene McCarthy for
23 President Committee and Oregon campaign chairman for the George McGovern for President Com-
24 mittee; and

25 Whereas Blaine Whipple held many elected offices himself, including Oregon state Senator,
26 chairperson of the Washington County Intermediate Education District, chairperson of the Tualatin
27 Valley Water District and treasurer of Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue; and

28 Whereas Blaine Whipple served three years as chairperson of the Washington County March

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1 of Dimes, where he met Ines Steele; and

2 Whereas Blaine Whipple and Ines Steele married on August 6, 1966, with her children, Judith
3 and Bob, present, and subsequently welcomed their son, Blaine “Scott” Whipple, in 1968; and

4 Whereas as vice-president of Randall Construction, Blaine Whipple was instrumental in the de-
5 sign, building and operation of the Tolovana Inn at Cannon Beach, helped write the by-laws and
6 policies for the inn and served on the board of directors for the inn for many years, earning the
7 affectionate title of “Mr. Tolovana”; and

8 Whereas Blaine Whipple loved to travel, and in 2014 alone traveled to New England, England,
9 Scotland, Wales and Japan; and

10 Whereas Blaine Whipple’s beloved wife, Ines, predeceased him by seven months, just short of
11 their 48th wedding anniversary; and

12 Whereas Blaine Whipple passed away on January 3, 2015, surrounded by his family; and

13 Whereas Blaine Whipple is survived by his children, Judith Steele, Bob Steele and Scott
14 Whipple, his grandchildren, Sydney, Will, Miles, Breanna, Spencer and Turner, his great-grandson,
15 Huck, his sister, Mary Anne McPherson, and many nieces and nephews; now, therefore,

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

17 That we, the members of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, honor the life and achieve-
18 ments of Blaine Whipple and extend our gratitude for his work toward bettering the lives of
19 Oregonians; and be it further

20 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Blaine Whipple as an ex-
21 pression of our sympathy and condolences.

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