

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Be Adopted
Vote:	10 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Barnhart, Berger, Beyer, Esquivel, Freeman, Garrett, Holvey, Wingard, Kotek, Olson
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Cheyenne Ross, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	2/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Memorializes Mark Hatfield, 1922 - 2011.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of measure
- Admiration for Mark Hatfield

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Mark Hatfield, the longest serving United States Senator in Oregon history, died on August 7, 2011, at the age of 89. During his career he worked to diversify Oregon's economy, encouraged the growth of high-tech and medical research industries, supported the expansion of higher education, and championed the conservation of natural resources and environmental stewardship, which led to the designation of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area as well as the protection of several other wilderness areas, parks and scenic rivers. At the national level, he was also known for his opposition to the Vietnam War, both during his tenure as Governor of Oregon and as a Senator, repeatedly speaking out and opposing defense spending. Mark Hatfield's service to the public is also distinguished, not only by its longevity and his numerous achievements, but by his reputation as a statesperson of the highest caliber.

Mark Hatfield graduated from Willamette University in 1943, and became a naval officer, commanding troops at Iwo Jima and Okinawa during World War II. Upon completion of his naval service, he attended Stanford University briefly, then returned to Oregon to teach at Willamette. In 1951, he was elected to the Oregon House of Representatives, and went on to serve in the Oregon State Senate from 1955-1957 before becoming the youngest Secretary of State in Oregon history. In 1958, he was elected to his first of two terms as the Governor of Oregon, making him the youngest person to do so, and the first two-term Oregon Governor of the twentieth century. He was then elected to the United States Senate, where he served for 30 years, and where he came to Chair the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Upon retirement, Mark Hatfield served on Oregon Health and Science University's Board of Directors, supported the financial growth of the National Institute for Health and was a guest professor at colleges throughout the state. He is survived by his wife, Antoinette, and four children: Elizabeth Hatfield-Keller of Portland, Theresa Cooney of Bethesda, Maryland, Mark Hatfield of Miami, Florida, and Visko Hatfield of Bantam, Connecticut, and by several grandchildren.

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