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Representative Greg Matthews Chair, Committee on Veteran's Affairs

Dear Representative Matthews:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Oregon WWII Memorial Foundation, I am writing to express our full support of SB 832 "Spirit of 45" Day.

As a strong supporter of our Memorial project, I am certain you can see how closely aligned our mission is with that of the "Spirit of 45", namely to provide ongoing education and awareness to future generations of the sacrifices and courage exemplified by so many Oregonians that served their country during WWII, and to honor those who lost their lives in doing so. We believe that passage of this bill will go a long way to solidify Oregon's commitment to remembering its veterans, and those that served on the home front during this very challenging time in our nation's history. Thank you in advance for anything you can do to assure passage of this bill.

Very truly yours,

Lou Jaffe President

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