Senate Concurrent Resolution 16

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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.**

Expresses support for work of United Service Organizations and establishment of welcome center in Portland International Airport.

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2 Whereas United Service Organizations (USO) was founded in 1941 and has been fulfilling its 3 mission of lifting the spirits of America's troops and their families with collaboration, accountability, 4 respect, gratitude and innovation for 70 years; and

5 Whereas with the generous donations of volunteers and contributors, the USO now serves 6 thousands of troops at hundreds of entertainment events each year and through an extensive range 7 of programs and services at more than 160 locations in 27 states and 14 countries; and

8 Whereas USO programs and services support the morale, welfare, social and entertainment 9 needs of troops serving in combat, their families, wounded warriors and their families and families 10 of the fallen; and

11 Whereas USO volunteers provide a home away from home for the troops and help keep them 12 connected to the families they left behind; and

Whereas USO military lounges and welcome centers at many airports in the United States provide essential respite for troops on the move; now, therefore,

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

16 That we, the members of the Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly, express our support and 17 gratitude for the selfless service and sacrifice of members of the Armed Forces of the United States

18 and for the work of United Service Organizations; and be it further

Resolved, That we support the establishment of a welcome center for members of the Armed
Forces of the United States at Portland International Airport.

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