Senate Resolution 3

Sponsored by Senator HANSELL; Senators BAERTSCHIGER JR, BATES, BEYER, BOQUIST, BURDICK, COURTNEY, DEMBROW, DEVLIN, EDWARDS, FERRIOLI, GELSER, GIROD, HASS, JOHNSON, KNOPP, KRUSE, MONNES ANDERSON, MONROE, OLSEN, PROZANSKI, RILEY, ROBLAN, ROSENBAUM, SHIELDS, STEINER HAYWARD, THATCHER, THOMSEN, WHITSETT, WINTERS

SUMMARY

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Honors 2014 Heisman Trophy winner Marcus Mariota.

SENATE RESOLUTION

2 Whereas University of Oregon quarterback Marcus Mariota is the first Ducks football player 3 ever to win the Heisman Trophy; and

4 Whereas Marcus Mariota won the 2014 Heisman Trophy by 90.9 percent of the votes cast, the 5 second-highest percentage of possible points in Heisman history; and

6 Whereas in 2014 Marcus Mariota earned the highest passer rating in the nation and ranked fifth 7 in total offense, with 342.5 yards per game; and

8 Whereas Marcus Mariota secured Pacific-12 (Pac-12) Conference records for career total 9 touchdowns and single-season total touchdowns, as well as the University of Oregon team records 10 for career total offensive yards, career passing yards, career passing touchdowns, single-season total 11 offensive yards, single-season passing yards and single-season passing touchdowns; and

12 Whereas in addition to the Heisman Trophy, Marcus Mariota is the first University of Oregon 13 player to win a slew of other awards, including the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, the 14 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award, Walter Camp Player of the Year, the 15 Maxwell Award and the Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award; and

16 Whereas Marcus Mariota has been first and foremost a team player, leading Oregon to the Rose 17 Bowl on January 1, 2015, where they routed the Florida State Seminoles in a record-breaking 59-20 18 victory to advance to the 2015 College Football Playoff National Championship; and

Whereas Marcus Mariota could have entered the National Football League draft after the 2013 season and been a top pick but decided instead to return to school to finish his bachelor's degree in general science with an emphasis in human physiology and to help his team with the national championship; and

Whereas Marcus Mariota was selected for the Pac-12 Conference All-Academic Second Team;
and

Whereas Marcus Mariota's athletic excellence, leadership, academic perseverance and dedicated service to the community have rightfully earned him his place as one of the most celebrated players in Oregon history and in all of college football; now, therefore,

28 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Oregon:

29 That we, the members of the Senate of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, honor and cel-

30 ebrate University of Oregon quarterback Marcus Mariota for his 2014 Heisman Trophy win and for

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1 his exemplary athletic prowess, academic excellence, leadership skills and character.

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