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House Concurrent Resolution 13

Sponsored by Representative DOHERTY (Presession filed.)

Whereas Scots and Americans of Scottish descent have contributed to the United States of America and to the State of Oregon; and

Whereas there is no clearer symbol of Scottish identity than tartan, particularly when worn in the form of a kilt; and

Whereas tartans have been worn for more than 1,000 years and have become directly identified with certain clans or districts, signifying clan or district allegiance and identification; and

Whereas tartan patterns are now subject to the approval of the clan chief, and official district or state tartans are subject to legislative authority; and

Whereas the United States Senate designated April 6th of each year National Tartan Day in 1998 to recognize the contribution Scots and Americans of Scottish descent have made to the United States of America; and

Whereas a distinctive tartan would symbolize recognition of the contribution Scots and Americans of Scottish descent have made to the State of Oregon; and

Whereas Robbie Harding, Clan MacGregor, of the High Desert Celtic Society and the Caledonian Society of Bend, designed a tartan for the State of Oregon whose colors symbolize the distinctive features of our state:

* Blue representing the blue of the flag of Oregon, the deep blue waters of the ocean, the fishing industry, the deep blue lakes and the major inland rivers;

* Gold representing the center color of the flag of Oregon and the many and varied agricultural regions of the state;

* Green representing the many and varied forests;

* White representing the beautiful snowcapped mountains;

* Taupe representing the high desert and grasslands;

* Crimson representing the fiery volcanic past and the cinder buttes;

* Azure representing the streams and creeks, the wetland marshes, the shallow lakes and the wide sweep of the Oregon skies; and

* Black representing the obsidian buttes; and

Whereas the tartan for the State of Oregon has been sent to the Scottish Tartans Authority in Scotland and received worldwide registration in the International Tartan Index (ITI) as ITI number 5743; and

Whereas the tartan for the State of Oregon has been sent to the Secretary of State and registered, number 36406; now, therefore,

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

That the tartan registered by the Secretary of State, number 36406, and by the Scottish Tartans Authority, ITI number 5743, is recognized as and hereby is designated to be the official tartan of the State of Oregon.

Adopted by House April 13, 2017

Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate July 6, 2017

Peter Courtney, President of Senate

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