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Subject: Written Testimony Senate Concurrent Resolution 23 – In Memoriam Thomas Herbert McAllister Jr.

I express my full support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 23, which would honor, in memoriam, one of Oregon's great visionaries and conservationists, Mr. Thomas Herbert McAllister Jr.

Tom's thorough knowledge of the State's wildlife, history, geography, and geology was simply amazing, and he shared this gift and talent as a great teacher to the benefit of all Oregonians. With his photographic memory and geographic expertise, it was easy to believe that Tom had set foot on every square-mile of Oregon.

Tom's long and distinguished career as an outdoor writer for the *Oregonian* and *Oregon Journal*, his service as president of the Oregon Geographic Names Board, and his dedication to protecting Oregon's natural environment will always be recognized as exceptional achievements. The Senate resolution in Tom's memory is most deserving.

Respectfully submitted,

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