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Senate Resolution 2

Sponsored by Senator HANSELL

Whereas Diane Berry has served the City of Echo, Oregon, as city administrator for nearly 40 years; and

Whereas during her tenure, Diane Berry also served as Echo's library director, chief gardener, bookkeeper and payroll director; and

Whereas Diane Berry's legendary grant-writing skills have yielded funds for many projects in Echo; and

Whereas Diane Berry worked to revitalize Echo and enhance its small-town appeal by renovating its historic city hall, redeveloping Main Street, adding sculptures, planting and maintaining flowers and trees and supporting regular citywide cleanup campaigns; and

Whereas Diane Berry initiated Echo's hugely successful tree program 30 years ago, and she started Echo's annual tree fair; and

Whereas Diane Berry was an instrumental part of Echo being named a Tree City USA, the smallest city in Oregon to receive that honor; and

Whereas under Diane Berry's leadership, Echo was a three-time winner in the America in Bloom competition; and

Whereas in 2007, Echo received a bronze certificate at the International Awards for Liveable Communities, the only city in the United States with a population under 20,000 to be a finalist in this category; and

Whereas Diane Berry's leadership was pivotal in Echo receiving an Oregon Heritage Excellence Award as well as National Historic Oregon Trail site designation; and

Whereas Diane Berry, a fifth-generation Echoite, is a part of Echo just as Echo is a part of her; and

Whereas Diane Berry's passion for her hometown is evident in everything she has done for it; and

Whereas Diane Berry will soon retire from her post as city administrator; and

Whereas the countless trees planted in Echo during Diane Berry's tenure serve as a beautiful legacy and a fitting tribute to her years of dedicated service to the city; and

Whereas Diane Berry plans to remain in Echo and to continue to offer the city her leadership and passion in a variety of volunteer roles; and

Whereas Diane Berry's career exemplifies the importance of local public service in making our communities better; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Senate of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Diane Berry for her remarkable career, and we express our gratitude for her contributions to the City of Echo and the State of Oregon; and be it further

Resolved, That we wish Diane Berry well in her retirement.

Adopted by Senate June 12, 2019

Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

Peter Courtney, President of Senate