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Senate Concurrent Resolution 1

Sponsored by Senator WAGNER, Representative SALINAS (Presession filed.)

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty devoted her life to the fight for early childhood literacy and education equity; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty earned a Master of Arts in Teaching degree from Willamette University, and she brought her experience as an educator to Social Venture Partners Portland, where she worked as Community Impact Manager; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty worked tirelessly on behalf of children and families; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty never stopped asking how to bring about a world in which every child could go to preschool and every family could afford it; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was a key member of the Multnomah County Preschool for All work group, and her efforts were instrumental in securing the successful passage in November 2020 of county ballot measure 26-214, which will fund universal preschool in Multnomah County; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty truly loved her work, and she exemplified what it is to be a community changemaker; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty believed that we have the power to transform our world and make it a better place, and she led by example with her passion and commitment; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was widely admired for her intelligence, warmth and grace; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty loved animals, travel and spending time with her family; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty passed away unexpectedly; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was laid to rest on July 26, 2020, at a private family burial, and a virtual shiva minyan was held the following day; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty was survived by her husband, Brian, stepdaughter, Maysa, mother, Ruth, and father, Jerry; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty is profoundly missed by her family, colleagues and many friends; and

Whereas Social Venture Partners Portland honored Sarah Cohen-Doherty's legacy with a memorial fund in her name, dedicated to the goal that all children have access to high-quality, culturally relevant early learning experiences; and

Whereas Sarah Cohen-Doherty will be forever remembered as a devoted educator and advocate who touched countless lives and made her community a better place; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly, celebrate the life and accomplishments of Sarah Cohen-Doherty, and we recognize and honor her contributions to the people of this state; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be presented to the family of Sarah Cohen-Doherty as an expression of our sympathy and condolences.

Adopted by Senate April 12, 2021

Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

Peter Courtney, President of Senate

Adopted by House May 24, 2021

Tina Kotek, Speaker of House