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# Senate Concurrent Resolution 206

Sponsored by Senator WAGNER; Senators JAMA, MANNING JR, Representative HIEB (Pre-session filed.)

Whereas Fred W. Heard was born in Prineville, Oregon, on September 9, 1940; and

Whereas Fred Heard was raised in Klamath Falls, Oregon, where he attended elementary school and high school; and

Whereas after high school, Fred Heard attended the University of Oregon, then received his Bachelor of Science in Education and his Master of Science in Secondary Education from Southern Oregon College (now Southern Oregon University) in Ashland, Oregon; and

Whereas after college, Fred Heard began a long and fruitful career in education, first as a teacher at his alma mater, Klamath Union High School; and

Whereas in his time as an educator, Fred Heard filled positions as diverse as teacher, department chair, budget manager, assistant professor, vice principal and principal; and

Whereas as a teacher and assistant professor in junior high school, high school and college, Fred Heard taught English, literature, social studies, speech, sociology, economics and journalism; and

Whereas in 1968, Fred Heard first ran for a seat in the Oregon Legislative Assembly, beginning another chapter of his life with a keen focus on service to the people of Oregon; and

Whereas for the next 14 years, Fred Heard served the people of Oregon faithfully, first as a member of the House of Representatives representing Klamath and Lake Counties from 1969 to 1972, then as a member of the Senate representing Klamath and Deschutes Counties from 1972 to 1983; and

Whereas Fred Heard held the post of Senate Majority Leader from 1975 to 1980; and

Whereas Fred Heard was elected Senate President in 1981; and

Whereas as a member of the Legislative Assembly, Fred Heard worked across party and regional lines to enact legislation that improved the lives of countless Oregonians; and

Whereas Fred Heard resigned his position in the Senate in 1983 to accept the cabinet appointment of Director of Commerce for Governor Victor Atiyeh, where he supervised nine divisions, 24 licensing boards and 450 employees; and

Whereas Fred Heard also embarked on a career in ministry, receiving a Master of Divinity from Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, California; and

Whereas Fred Heard completed his Clinical Pastoral Education at the Oregon State Hospital Forensics Unit and his field experience at Prince of Peace in Salem, Oregon; and

Whereas Fred Heard served as interim minister at the Congregational Church in Klamath Falls, Oregon, from 1963 to 1966; and

Whereas Fred Heard was ordained as a transitional deacon in June 2003 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salem, and as a priest at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco, California, in December 2003; and

Whereas Fred Heard was the associate rector at Trinity Church in Menlo Park, California, from July 2003 to July 2008; and

Whereas Fred Heard served as rector at St. Paul's in Cambria, California, from January 2009 to September 2014; and

Whereas Fred Heard was assisting priest at St. Paul's in Salem from September 2014 to December 2015; and

Whereas in his time in the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon, Fred Heard was Dean of the Willamette Convocation, a member of the Diocesan Recovery Commission, a member of the Diocesan Council and a member of the board for Formation and Mission; and

Whereas Fred Heard began his service as vicar at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Dallas, Oregon, in January 2016, and retired in June 2022; and

Whereas over the years, Fred Heard was an active member of the Kiwanis and served as a board member in both Menlo Park and Salem, as president in Salem, and as a delegate to the international convention; and

Whereas in his spare time, Fred Heard loved to garden, and kept his eye on political happenings with his faithful cat, Apple; and

Whereas as a political scientist, Fred Heard was fascinated by the evolution of politics over the last several years, but as a politician, he was saddened by the breakdown of decorum, tradition, compromise and camaraderie; and

Whereas in his retirement, Fred Heard was working on his autobiography, which included social, political and religious commentary as well as reflections on his life and his family; and

Whereas Fred Heard was known by some as Mr. Heard, Senator Heard, Father Heard, Dad or Papa, and by all as a deeply dedicated servant to his fellow man; and

Whereas Fred Heard was a mentor, a mediator and a forward thinker who approached challenges with hope and an eye toward finding solutions; and

Whereas Fred Heard was so very proud of his family, and he loved to tell of the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren; and

Whereas Fred Heard passed away on August 1, 2023; and

Whereas Fred Heard is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Adair; his son, Frederick; his twin daughters, Robin and Heather; his Japanese exchange son, Hiro; and his grandchildren Christopher, Matthew, Carter, Jackson, Sawyer, Harrison and Edith; and

Whereas Fred Heard will always be remembered as a tireless advocate for his students, his constituents, his parishioners and his family; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly, celebrate the life and accomplishments of Fred W. Heard, and we recognize and honor his contributions to the people of this state and to all those whose lives he touched; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution shall be presented to the family of Fred W. Heard as an expression of our sympathy and condolences.

Adopted by Senate February 27, 2024

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Obadiah Rutledge, Secretary of Senate

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Rob Wagner, President of Senate

Adopted by House March 4, 2024

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Dan Rayfield, Speaker of House