

Senate Concurrent Resolution 206

Sponsored by Senator WAGNER; Senator JAMA (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Honors the life and memory of Fred W. Heard. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.9).
In memoriam: Fred W. Heard, 1940-2023.

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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

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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

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

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

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

10 Whereas Fred Heard was assisting priest at St. Paul's in Salem from September 2014 to De-
11 cember 2015; and

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

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

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

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

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

25 Whereas in his retirement, Fred Heard was working on his autobiography, which included so-
26 cial, political and religious commentary as well as reflections on his life and his family; and

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

29 Whereas Fred Heard was a mentor, a mediator and a forward thinker who approached chal-
30 lenges with hope and an eye toward finding solutions; and

31 Whereas Fred Heard was so very proud of his family, and he loved to tell of the accomplish-
32 ments of his children and grandchildren; and

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

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

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

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

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

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