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House Concurrent Resolution 19

Sponsored by Representative BOICE, Senator SMITH DB; Representative BOWMAN, Senator MCLANE

Whereas Frank Wayne Smith was born on October 8, 1945, in Lakeview, Oregon, to Lester and Era Smith; and

Whereas Frank Smith was raised in a close-knit family with a strong sense of duty, service and community; and

Whereas Frank Smith's journey through life was marked by his dedication to his country, his family and his community; and

Whereas Frank Smith served his country with honor and great distinction in the United States Navy for 27 years, including active duty during the Vietnam War; and

Whereas Frank Smith was a proud "mustang," meaning he rose through the enlisted ranks before being commissioned as an officer—a rare and impressive achievement—ultimately attaining the rank of lieutenant commander; and

Whereas Frank Smith earned many awards and commendations for his accomplishments during his long naval career, including the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal (two awards), the National Defense Service Medal, the Navy Expeditionary Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal (five awards); and

Whereas Frank Smith was dedicated to improving services for his fellow veterans; and

Whereas Frank Smith earned bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration, as well as a master's degree in public administration; and

Whereas Frank Smith was a beloved fixture in the Port Orford community, where he was the owner of the Port & Starboard Restaurant & Lounge, an establishment built by his father and owned by his family for three generations; and

Whereas Frank Smith believed deeply in the importance of giving back to his community, and he was a dedicated and tireless volunteer who gave generously of his time and resources to make Port Orford a better place to live, work and play; and

Whereas Frank Smith was an elected or appointed official on numerous local boards and commissions during his many decades of public service, including serving as chairman of the Port Orford-Langlois School District board; and

Whereas Frank Smith had a profound impact on youth sports in Port Orford, where he was the varsity boys' basketball coach at Pacific High School, and he could often be seen around town umpiring baseball games and refereeing basketball games; and

Whereas Frank Smith worked for many years with Meals on Wheels, a program that delivers nutritious food to seniors who are homebound or need help with shopping or cooking; and

Whereas Frank Smith was a longtime member and board member of the Port Orford Rotary Club, and he was instrumental in the creation of the Port Orford Rotary Scholarship Foundation and the annual dinner and dance scholarship fundraiser; and

Whereas Frank Smith was always ready to support public service organizations, including the local American Legion post and Masonic lodge; and

Whereas Frank Smith was a devout Christian whose faith was central to his life, and he attended St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Port Orford, where he had shared his love for the church with his mother during his childhood; and

Whereas Frank Smith was a kind and gentle man who touched many lives with his spirit and generosity; and

Whereas Frank Smith's true love was his wife, Bonnie, whom he married in 1966 after meeting her as a student at Pacific High School in 1959, and they were inseparable for 65 years of courtship and marriage; and

Whereas family was everything to Frank Smith, and he passed on his values of love and connection to every person he touched during his long and happy life; and

Whereas Frank Smith passed away on December 5, 2024; and

Whereas Frank Smith was survived by his beloved wife, Bonnie; sons, Todd and David; granddaughters, Jadyn and Antonia; and brothers, Jimmy and Bill; and

Whereas Frank Smith will forever be remembered for his lifetime of dedicated service and the profound and lasting impact he had on his community; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly, honor and celebrate the life of Frank Wayne Smith, and we express our gratitude for his service to the people of the State of Oregon; and be it further

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

Adopted by House March 24, 2025

Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

Julie Fahey, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate May 12, 2025

Rob Wagner, President of Senate