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# House Concurrent Resolution 3

Sponsored by Representative PHAM H, Senator MANNING JR (Presession filed.)

Whereas Dr. Brian Druker was born on April 30, 1955, in Saint Paul, Minnesota; and

Whereas Brian Druker developed a strong interest in the sciences as a child, gaining strong support from his parents, who emphasized the importance of higher education and community; and

Whereas in 1973, Brian Druker graduated from Highland Park High School in Saint Paul, Minnesota; and

Whereas Brian Druker graduated from the University of California, San Diego, with a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry in 1977 and a Doctor of Medicine degree in 1981; and

Whereas Brian Druker was inspired to become a physician-researcher after learning about breakthroughs for curing childhood leukemia; and

Whereas in 1984, Brian Druker completed his internship and residency in internal medicine at Barnes Hospital of the Washington University School of Medicine; and

Whereas in that same year, Brian Druker started a fellowship in medical oncology at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, eventually mentoring the next generation of leaders as an instructor at Harvard Medical School; and

Whereas in 1993, Brian Druker started working at Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU), which welcomed and elevated his pioneering and cutting-edge research in oncology; and

Whereas determined to prevent any further deaths from chronic myeloid leukemia, Brian Druker focused on finding a first-of-its-kind cancer treatment that targets only cancer cells in the body; and

Whereas on May 10, 2001, the United States Food and Drug Administration approved Brian Druker's cancer-fighting drug Gleevec, which has saved hundreds of thousands of lives around the world in addition to jump-starting the era of precision cancer medicine; and

Whereas in 2001, Brian Druker became the JELD-WEN Chair of Leukemia Research at OHSU; and

Whereas from 2002 to 2019, Brian Druker was an investigator at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, a nonprofit medical research organization; and

Whereas in 2007, Brian Druker became director of the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute, leading the institute to international prominence for its ability to deliver personalized cancer medicine; and

Whereas in 2009, Brian Druker earned the Lasker-DeBakey Award for Clinical Medical Research (known as the "American Nobel Prize") for his revolutionary work in creating a magic bullet against cancer and providing hope to millions of patients and their loved ones; and

Whereas in 2015, Brian Druker led one of the most ambitious fundraising efforts in Oregon history, the Knight Cancer Challenge, raising \$1 billion for the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute's research from the Legislative Assembly, Phil and Penny Knight and more than 10,000 donors around the world; and

Whereas in 2016, Brian Druker launched the Cancer Early Detection Advanced Research Center, developing a large-scale early detection program with the world's top scientists that built upon the scientific strengths of the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute; and

Whereas in 2017, Brian Druker led the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute in earning its designation by the National Cancer Institute as a Comprehensive Cancer Center, making the institute one of the premier cancer research centers in the country, for its work in diagnosing, treating and preventing cancer more effectively; and

Whereas in 2019, in the presence of His Majesty the King of Sweden, Brian Druker was awarded the Sjöberg Prize by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences for his groundbreaking contributions to cancer research; and

Whereas Brian Druker has established himself as Oregon's best-known scientist and as a world-class leader in the fight against cancer, and he has developed a drug that has saved hundreds of thousands of lives; now, therefore,

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

That we, the members of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor Dr. Brian Druker for his leadership and service to the people of the State of Oregon and the world.

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Adopted by House May 7, 2025

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Julie Fahey, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate June 11, 2025

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Rob Wagner, President of Senate