

House Concurrent Resolution 32

Sponsored by Representative EDWARDS

SUMMARY

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Digest: Designates the Corgi as the official state dog. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).
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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas the State of Oregon has traditionally recognized a variety of official state emblems as tangible representations of the proud spirit and heritage of this state; and

Whereas Oregon has designated an official state animal, state fish, state pet, state songbird and even a state insect, but has yet to designate a state dog; and

Whereas the Corgi (or Welsh Corgi) is a small type of herding dog that originated in Wales; and

Whereas the name *corgi* is thought to be derived from the Welsh words *cor* and *ci*, meaning “dwarf” and “dog,” respectively; and

Whereas there are two recognized breeds of Corgis: the Pembroke Welsh Corgi and the Cardigan Welsh Corgi; and

Whereas the combination of Corgis’ intelligence, speed, agility and low height off the ground makes them outstanding herding dogs while allowing them to avoid the hooves of cattle; and

Whereas Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom adored Corgis, owning more than 30 during her long reign, beginning with Susan in 1944; and

Whereas Corgis are absurdly cute and adorable, and their short legs, long bodies and expressive faces make them irresistible; and

Whereas Corgis have an outsized personality, and they are full of confidence, charm and sass despite their small stature; and

Whereas Corgis are friendly, loyal and affectionate dogs who form strong bonds with their humans and love to be part of a family; and

Whereas you can take the Corgi out of the pasture, but you can’t take the herding instincts out of the Corgi, and they love to “herd” their humans around the house and yard; and

Whereas every summer, hundreds of Corgis (and their humans) gather from all over the nation on the Oregon coast for the iconic Corgi Beach Takeover, a daylong celebration of our beautiful coast and of all things Corgi, which also raises thousands of dollars for the Oregon Humane Society; and

Whereas Corgis are exceptionally smart and quick learners, but they’re also silly and entertaining dogs who are famous for their hilarious antics and expressive way of “talking” with grumbles, yips and woo-woos; and

Whereas Corgis always look happy, and they spread joy wherever they go; and

Whereas Corgis love games and playtime, and they are always up for an epic Oregon adventure,

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 whether it's hiking, beach time or a road trip; now, therefore,
2 **Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**
3 That the Corgi is the official dog of the State of Oregon.
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