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Senate Concurrent Resolution 13

Sponsored by Senator NASH, Representative LEVY B; Senators LIEBER, WEBER, Representatives OWENS, SMITH G, WALTERS (Presession filed.)

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 nut, state beverage, state fruit, state vegetable and even a state pie, but has yet to designate a state steak to recognize the vital role of beef cattle in Oregon's development; and

Whereas cattle have been raised in Oregon since 1824; and

Whereas cattle and calves were Oregon's second-leading agricultural commodity in 2022, with a total value of production of nearly \$800 million; and

Whereas all 36 Oregon counties participate in producing cattle and have cattle within their borders; and

Whereas Oregon's reputation as a national leader in agriculture is well deserved, and beef has contributed greatly to this proud legacy; and

Whereas Oregon ranchers are known for their respect for the land and their efforts to maintain it for long-term cattle production; and

Whereas beef steak is a food that supports an active and healthy lifestyle, and it is a source of such essential nutrients as protein, zinc, B vitamins, iron and riboflavin; and

Whereas the T-bone is a remarkable steak that features two distinct cuts of beef: the strip steak (which packs a bold, beefy flavor and has a hearty texture) and the filet (which is renowned for its exceptional tenderness and mild taste); and

Whereas there's nothing quite like the mouthwatering smell of a T-bone sizzling on a grill, then you get to eat it; and

Whereas an ideal way to enjoy time with family or friends is to share a meal that includes a succulent Oregon T-bone paired with an Oregon baked potato or other local vegetables; and

Whereas embracing the excellent qualities of one steak does not diminish the value of other steaks; and

Whereas due to the deep connection that beef has with the State of Oregon, and due to the unique delectability of the T-bone, it fully deserves the honor of being our state steak; now, therefore,

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

That the T-bone is the official steak of the State of Oregon.

Adopted by Senate March 4, 2025

Obadiah Rutledge, Secretary of Senate

Rob Wagner, President of Senate

Adopted by House June 16, 2025

Julie Fahey, Speaker of House