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To: Honorable Senator Janeen Sollman

Subject: Resolution in honor of Phil Crieghton

Date: 2-13-2025

Dear Senator Sollman,

I served as Chair of the Board of Pacific University during the period Dr. Phil Creighton was President. It is with great honor that I write this recommendation in furtherance of your resolution honoring Dr. Phil.

I can start by saying I take great pride in serving as the Chair of the committee that hired Phil to be the President of Pacific. It is one of the better things I accomplished as Chair. He was transformative in many ways and a visionary of exactly what was needed to better serve our students at Pacific. And the student was always number one in everything Phil did.

He and I met for breakfast most Thursday mornings during his tenure. He always came with several new ideas and we discussed, dissected and refined many and tossed the rest as unneeded or needing far more funding than we could obtain. From there he and his staff were some of the best executors of programs I have ever seen. They refined, found adequate funding, and implemented new programs, new buildings and new majors year after year after year.

And he was known by every student and faculty member on campus. A walk with Phil across campus took 30 minutes every time. He stopped and talked to everyone and somehow remembered their name, and their interests.

Beyond that he was a great friend. He genuinely liked people and was warm and welcoming to everyone. I lost a true friend at his passing. This resolution is a profound way to consolidate his memory in the history of Oregon.

Thanks for you effort and thanks for asking for support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Schauermann". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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