

Department of County Human Services



Aging, Disability & Veterans Services Division

Letter of Support for Senate Concurrent Resolution 25

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Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon
900 Court St. NE
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To the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon,

I am writing on behalf of Multnomah County Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services to express my strong support for Senate Concurrent Resolution 25, honoring the memory of Ruth McEwen. This resolution recognizes the work and amazing lifelong advocacy of our colleague and her positive impact on older Oregonians and Oregonians with disabilities.

I would also like to express my gratitude for the support of Senator Patterson and Representatives Andersen, Evans, Gomberg, and Mannix in sponsoring this resolution and proposing that Ruth McEwen be honored and recognized publicly for her many contributions to our state.

Ruth, on multiple occasions, offered her time to meet with our Multnomah County advisory councils on aging and disability services. She generously shared her experiences and expertise with our advisory council members and was incredibly helpful in developing interest and involvement for new members to our councils.

As one of Oregon's Area Agencies on Aging, our division has the pleasure of carrying out some of the work that Ruth's advocacy and support brought about. The people of Multnomah County benefit from these improved policies, programs, and services every day.

I understand that as state representatives, you have an opportunity to publicly honor and recognize Ruth McEwen for her decades of service to the people of Oregon. I urge you to learn more about our colleague's accomplishments, some of which are noted within this resolution, and to vote in favor of the resolution's passage.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Irma Jimenez', is positioned below the word 'Sincerely,'.

Irma Jimenez, Division Director
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