Senator Jama, Committee Chair, and Members of the Senate Rules Committee,

My family and I are pleased to support SCR 10 honoring Senator Courtney. Your hearing on St. Patrick's Day. Having family in the two Virginias, Boston, and Providence, we understood his roots and Yankee integrity.

We have joyful and timeless memories of Peter.

Watching him play early morning basketball at the Y. You missed something if you didn't see it. Basketball without referees. So much fun to watch.

His graceful welcoming of visitors from around the world to the State Capitol.

His leadership on earthquake preparedness and his visit to our McKinley School, a historic school (1915) designed by Oregon's first registered architect and built by an innovative construction company headed by a woman over a century ago.

I will always remember Peter taking the time, from his very busy day to express his personal condolences on the loss of my older brother William from cancer.

Respectfully,

Jon Christenson