

March 21, 2025

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House Committee on Rules
Oregon Legislative Assembly
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97309

In Support of House Concurrent Resolution 30

Chair Bowman, Vice-Chairs Drazan and Pham, and Members of the Committee:

The Board of Directors of Friends of Timberline appreciates your consideration of HCR 30 on March 24, 2025 to recognize and honor Friends of Timberline for fifty years of exceptional service in preserving and celebrating Oregon's historic Timberline Lodge.

It is with great pride that Friends of Timberline hits this milestone with our partners, the US Forest Service and RLK and Co. We have built a foundation together that has been proven for its vitality and abilities to complete important restoration work at the Lodge. Working together, many projects have been completed with funding from Friends of Timberline that include "Light up the Art", "Light up the Lodge", restoration of the Naturalistic Pools and an improved Winter Entrance. Less noticeable projects restoring draperies and fabrics, refinishing tables and restoring art work are never ending. The recent completion of cataloging historical documents, photographs and items in the archives maintained by Friends of Timberline coincided with a move to a secure, climate controlled location in Portland. The archives are available to students, researchers, authors and historians.

Timberline Lodge National Historic Landmark is an American treasure. As one of the most visited destinations in the Northwest, Timberline Lodge sees visitors every year from all 50 states and numerous countries. It is through the collaborative partnership between the U.S. Forest Service, RLK & Company, and the Friends of Timberline that Timberline Lodge will continue to represent the best of our shared past, present and future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Mitchell".

Bruce W. Mitchell
President, Friends of Timberline