

SENATE RESOLUTION  
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By Senators Holmquist Newbry, Parlette, Brown, Padden, Fain, Braun, Pearson, Honeyford, Hewitt, Angel, Bailey, Becker, Hill, Roach, Schoesler, Sheldon, and Baumgartner

WHEREAS, Doc Hastings was born in Spokane, Washington on February 7, 1941, to Ivan and Florence Hastings; and

WHEREAS, After graduation from Pasco High School, Congressman Hastings studied business administration at Columbia Basin College and Central Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings served in the United States Army Reserve from 1963 to 1969; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings ran his family owned business, Columbia Basin Paper and Supply, and established himself as a leader in the local business community; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings was elected to and served in the 16th District House of Representatives from 1979 to 1987 and served as Assistant Majority Leader and Republican Caucus Chairman; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1994, defeating incumbent Jay Inslee; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure in the House of Representatives, Congressman Hastings established a long record of serving the people, communities, and priorities of Central Washington; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings has chaired the House Committee on Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings has chaired the House Committee on Ethics; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings has chaired and founded the Congressional Nuclear Cleanup Caucus as well as cochairing the Northwest Energy Caucus; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings has also served on the Rural Health Care Coalition and Specialty Crop Caucus; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings is the senior Republican in Congress from the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Hastings has devoted his life to Claire, his beloved wife, best friend, partner, and companion since 1967, and together they happily devoted their lives to their family of three children and eight grandchildren;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize and congratulate Congressman Doc Hastings for his nearly 30 years of service and dedication to the citizens of the State of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution honoring him be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Congressman Doc Hastings and his family.