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To: Senator Lieber, Chair, and Committee Members

Senate Rules Committee

Re: SCR 203 – In Memoriam, Alice Bartelt, 1947-2023 – SUPPORT

We encourage you to review Senate Commemorative Resolution 203 for the information we researched and collected on Alice Bartelt. This resolution distills a lifetime of accomplishment, including her family life, graduation from Lewis and Clark Law, a twenty-five-year career in worker compensation law, and extensive volunteer work. She is recently deceased, while serving as President of the League of Women Voters of Oregon.

Alice was a Professional Registered Parliamentarian, serving widely across numerous organizations, literally spanning from A to Z, the AAUW to Zonta International. She was known for her composure, overseeing challenging State Central Committee meetings for Oregon Democrats and Republicans. Alice was an active member and served on multiple boards, from professional affiliation in the legal community, to her church, to groups focusing on specific advocacy issues. For over a dozen years, Alice was the Bylaws and Action Chair for the League of Women Voters of Oregon, until she was elected state President in 2023, months before her death.

Alice was exceptional. I savored her quick wit and hilariously brief emails. The League and I’m sure many others miss relying on her unfailing grasp of Robert’s Rules of Order to smooth proceedings. We always checked with Alice’s schedule first since she was the one most likely to have a parliamentarian role on her calendar in Tokyo or Berlin or Chicago or Singapore. She inspired many, mentoring by her calm, efficient leadership and devotion to advocacy. We encourage you to review how extensive her work was, in Oregon and globally.

The League encourages you to support this resolution. Cast a vote to honor Alice and salute the work she held dear, in our case, the League efforts for informed and active participation in government.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

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