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# House Resolution 9

Sponsored by Representatives WHISNANT, BUEHLER

Whereas Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick founded the Bend Experimental Art Theatre, known as BEAT Quality Youth Theatre, in central Oregon; and

Whereas Howard Schor has led BEAT as the Executive Director for 10 years, as well as serving as Director of Development; and

Whereas Mary Kilpatrick has developed BEAT programming for 10 years, directing dozens of productions and serving as BEAT's Artistic Director; and

Whereas BEAT has made a positive impact on the children of this state by introducing hundreds of central Oregon kindergarten through grade 12 students to the arts through participation in theater workshops and performances; and

Whereas over 20,000 central Oregon students have attended BEAT performances at reduced prices through the innovative Cultural Student Performance program designed by Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick; and

Whereas over 55,000 people, including students, have attended the more than 60 high-quality BEAT theater productions over the past decade; and

Whereas BEAT has provided scholarships for children in need and has never turned down a scholarship request; and

Whereas BEAT has offered tremendous opportunities for the youth of central Oregon to learn invaluable life skills about teamwork and collaboration and to develop self-confidence; and

Whereas Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick have created an organization that has become a vital part of the Oregon arts community and an important arts education program for children; and

Whereas with the foundation of strong leadership to build upon, BEAT will continue to serve the youth of central Oregon for decades to come; now, therefore,

**Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Oregon:**

That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly, thank Howard Schor and Mary Kilpatrick for 10 years of tireless dedication and positive energy devoted to our youth and for founding the vibrant Bend Experimental Art Theatre (BEAT).

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Adopted by House June 23, 2015

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House