

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2025-4641, by Representatives McEntire, Corry, Leavitt, Bronoske, Tharinger, Parshley, Pollet, Rule, Morgan, Waters, Duerr, Orcutt, Cortes, Nance, Richards, Schmick, Chase, Jacobsen, Thomas, Stonier, Dent, Keaton, Thai, Burnett, Timmons, Taylor, Fosse, Mendoza, Ormsby, Walsh, Salahuddin, Santos, Ryu, Schmidt, Barkis, Reed, Donaghy, Stearns, Connors, Jenkins, Callan, Zahn, Klicker, and Paul

1 WHEREAS, Julia Butler Hansen was born June 14, 1907, and her
2 family home, the Julia Butler Hansen House, is the oldest surviving
3 pioneer structure in Wahkiakum County; and

4 WHEREAS, The Julia Butler Hansen House is unique in its
5 significance to the pioneer history of early Washington Territory and
6 is a "treasure house" of objects and heirlooms of regional and
7 national significance drawn from the distinguished career of
8 Congresswoman Julia Butler Hansen; and

9 WHEREAS, Julia Butler Hansen was the first woman in history to
10 chair a Congressional Appropriations Subcommittee and was the close
11 protégé of presidents including Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon
12 Johnson; and

13 WHEREAS, Congresswoman Hansen was a legendary transportation
14 leader, instrumentally involved in catalyzing some of the most
15 significant infrastructure in the Pacific Northwest, including the
16 Astoria-Megler Bridge, along with many other historic firsts; and

17 WHEREAS, Congresswoman Hansen rose from the Cathlamet Town
18 Council to embark on a 21-year career in the Washington State House
19 of Representatives, serving the 18th Legislative District from 1939
20 to 1960, followed by a 14-year career in the U.S. Congress, serving
21 the 3rd Congressional District from 1960 to 1974, including
22 distinguished service on the Washington State Highways Commission and
23 successors; and

WHEREAS, The Julia Butler Hansen House is unique not only for its historic character but also its inventory of irreplaceable objects reflective of Julia Butler Hansen's lengthy public career, including photos, telegrams, letters and tributes from U.S. Presidents, Governors, Senators and other well-known public figures with whom Julia interacted at the highest levels of state and federal government throughout her career;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives honor the life and legacy of Congresswoman Julia Butler Hansen.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4641 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 4, 2025

Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk