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Representatives Bowman, Neron Honor the Life and Legacy of Senator Aaron Woods

SALEM, Ore. - The Oregon House of Representatives held a moment of silence this morning in memory and mourning for the life of **Senator Aaron Woods (D – Wilsonville, King City, Sherwood, Tigard)**, who served in the Oregon State Senate from 2023 until his passing this weekend, surrounded by his family.

“Aaron’s positivity, confidence, and character served our communities well,” said **Representative Courtney Neron (D – Wilsonville, King City, Sherwood, Tigard)**. “I first met him through his work uplifting inclusive community values in Wilsonville. I will remember him as a dignified and compassionate statesman. I will miss his warm smile and handshake. Our communities were fortunate to have his leadership—and we mourn the loss of a true public servant.”

Senator Woods was known by his constituents for his congenial personality and his dedication to local issues. In the legislature, Woods was a respected voice on policy issues ranging from artificial intelligence to veterans affairs. He leaves a lasting impact on the state of Oregon.

“Senator Woods and I entered the legislature together, and I’ve been lucky to call him a friend ever since,” said **House Majority Leader Ben Bowman (D–Tigard, Metzger & S Beaverton)**. “He dedicated his life to helping others, always focused on making life better for Oregonians. He was pragmatic, focused on solving problems, and always willing to collaborate. He leaves a lasting impact on Oregon. I will miss him.”

Senator Woods will be remembered as a legislator of deep optimism, pragmatic leadership, and unwavering steadiness — and in the communities he faithfully served, as a man of profound kindness and exemplary character.

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