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House Democrats Elect Leadership for Legislative Interim

SALEM – At a meeting held this evening in Salem, the House Democrats elected the following caucus leaders for the short legislative session, which convenes in February, 2014:

House Majority Leader: Rep. Val Hoyle (D – Eugene)

House Majority Whip: Rep. Tobias Read (D – Beaverton)

House Majority Deputy Whip: Rep. Jessica Vega Pederson (D – Portland)

House Assistant Majority Leader – Policy: Rep. Michael Dembrow (D – Portland)

House Assistant Majority Leader – Politics: Rep. Nancy Nathanson (D – Eugene)

House Assistant Majority Leader – Politics: Rep. Jennifer Williamson (D – Portland)

“We accomplished some great things for Oregonians in 2013,” Rep. Hoyle said. “I’m proud to say that House Democrats are already eager to get back to work on the issues that matter most.”

“Oregon continues to face some serious challenges, and we’re ready to tackle them,” Rep. Read said. “We’ll keep fighting to deliver real results for our schools, our economy, and our families.”

The constitutional officers, Speaker of the House Tina Kotek (D – Portland) and House Speaker Pro Tempore Chris Garrett (D – Lake Oswego), are elected only at the beginning of full legislative sessions and will therefore continue in their positions through the 2014 session.

House Democrats hold ex-officio leadership positions for the co-chair of the Joint Ways and Means Committee and the Revenue Committee chair. Currently Reps. Peter Buckley (D – Ashland) and Phil Barnhart (D – Eugene) hold those respective positions.

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