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STATEMENT FROM HOUSE SPEAKER TINA KOTEK ON COMPLETION OF 2014 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

“The 2014 Legislature delivered for the people of Oregon. We worked together in a bipartisan way to take care of many of the most important issues facing Oregon.

“We re-balanced the budget, increasing our reserve funds while shoring up the most important human services to support seniors, mental health, and those most in need.

“We leveraged state funds for economic development and infrastructure projects that will pay dividends for years to come. The legislature worked together to help secure funding for not only a state-of-the-art cancer research institute, but efforts to improve prevention and treatment in communities state-wide while supporting local businesses and workers across Oregon.

“We built on our work from 2013, making targeted investments in education, expanding access to colleges and universities, and continuing our investment in campus construction projects, the physical nexus of education and economic growth.

“The legislature worked across party lines to make our government work better and make state agencies more accountable and transparent to the public.

“I’m grateful for the work of my colleagues- both those returning, and those whose service in the house will end this year. I look forward to regrouping in 2015 to keep working on the challenges we still face, and making the tough choices in order to deliver on the things that matter most.”

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