



**REPRESENTATIVE RICK LEWIS  
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**Representative Rick Lewis Honored with “Friend of Nurseries” Award by  
Oregon Association of Nurseries**

SALEM, OR — Last night, the Oregon Association of Nurseries (OAN) awarded Representative Rick Lewis (R-Silverton) the “Friend of Nurseries” award, recognizing his support of Oregon’s nearly \$1 billion nursery industry during their annual convention in Hood River.

“It is a great privilege to represent the rural areas of Marion and Clackamas counties, home to some of the most robust agriculture communities in the Willamette Valley,” said Lewis. “Oregon nurseries are an economic force that strengthens our economy state-wide. I am humbled and honored by OAN’s recognition and I will continue to work to safeguard their success throughout our state.”

OAN is a non-profit trade association that represents more than 700 individual nursery stock producers, retailers, landscapers and related companies serving the nursery and greenhouse industry.

“This annual award is bestowed to individuals who have distinguished themselves and have proven to be a trusted ally of Oregon’s nurseries,” OAN Executive Director Jeff Stone said. “We deeply appreciate Rep. Lewis’s work and his efforts to protect Oregon’s agricultural heritage.”

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