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### **Sen. Monnes Anderson takes oath of office for fourth term of service**

*Senator focuses on health care, social services, representing SD 25*

SALEM – Sen. Laurie Monnes Anderson (D-Gresham) took the oath of office today for a fourth term in the Oregon State Senate. Her focus will continue to be on improving the state’s health care delivery for all Oregonians.

Monnes Anderson was joined by her son, Matt Anderson, and brother, Randy Monnes, who held the Monnes family Bible during the ceremony, for the event. With the formal swearing in now concluded, Monnes Anderson is ready to get down to business, working for her constituents in Senate District 25, as well as the rest of Oregon.

“As a legislator and retired public health nurse, one of my ongoing top priorities has been improving our health care system to expand access to quality, affordable care for families and small business owners,” Monnes Anderson said. “I have witnessed first-hand the deficiencies in our current health care system. As costs spiral out of control, too many Oregonians lack the means to access basic services. This has to change, and that will be one of my top priorities this session.”

Monnes Anderson will serve as Chair of the Senate Committee on Health Care and Vice Chair of the Senate Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness. She also will serve on the Senate Human Services and Workforce committees. Monnes Anderson has represented Senate District 25 – which includes Gresham, Troutdale, Fairview and Wood Village – for 12 years.

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