

**State Senator Kim Thatcher
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***Resolution Honoring Business Leader Joan Austin Has Public Hearing in
Senate Workforce Committee***

Salem, OR - A public hearing was held today on Senate Continuing Resolution 10 which honors the late Joan Austin. Senator Kim Thatcher spoke in support of the resolution in the Senate Workforce Committee.

"I was proud to speak on behalf of Joan's legacy and accomplishments," said Senator Thatcher. "She was a driven person who deeply cared for her community. Her contributions will continue to benefit Oregonians for a long time to come."

Joan Austin and her husband, Ken, founded A-dec in 1964. The company is one of the largest manufacturers of dental equipment in the US and is located in Newberg. Joan was a committed community and business leader whose philanthropy and small business advocacy will continue to positively impact the lives of Oregonians for generations to come.

Senator Thatcher is chief sponsor of the resolution along with Senator Brian Boquist, Representative Mike Nearman, Representative Bill Post, and Representative Jim Weidner.

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