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RECOGNITION OF OREGON LEGISLATIVE
DELEGATION

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REPORT: On January 6, 2021, violent insurgents stormed the U.S. Capitol in attempts to prevent the count and certification of electoral votes to thereby overturn the legitimate outcome of the U.S. Presidential election. In this violent riot, the insurgents threatened the safety of legislators and Capitol staff. Five people died as a result of this horrible attack.

After several hours of this insurrection, with legislators and staff sheltering in place, the Capitol building was cleared and secured. Congress was reconvened in order to continue the people's work of certifying the electoral votes for the 46th President of the United States.

Portland Community College recognizes the importance of the Democratic processes memorialized in the United States Constitution, and the role of our elected officials executing their solemn duty under the Constitution. The integrity of our republic was tested by the breach of the Capitol Building on January 6, 2021, that attempted to thwart the legislature from carrying out their Constitutional duties. The College commends our legislative delegation for their courage, conviction, and commitment to our republic, for returning to the capitol on January 6, 2021 to carry out their constitutional duty to certify the election of President Elect Joe Biden.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Directors of Portland Community College recognizes and commends the Oregon Federal Legislative Delegation whose official areas of responsibility include the Portland Community College service area: US Senator Ron Wyden; US Senator Jeff Merkley; US Representative Suzanne Bonamici and US Representative Earl Blumenaur for their courage and commitment for returning to the capitol on January 6, 2021 to carry out their constitutional duty to certify the election of President Elect Joe Biden.