

**RESOLUTION No. 36861**

Recognize and honor the vision, generosity and many civic and professional accomplishments of Harold Schnitzer and offer condolences to his family. (Resolution)

WHEREAS, Harold Schnitzer passed from this world on Wednesday, April 27, 2011; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is brought forward by the City of Portland, the City of Roses, the place of his birth and the place of his passing, and with it we pay tribute to his life and his accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Harold Schnitzer was born the fifth of seven children of Russian Jewish immigrants, Rose and Sam Schnitzer, in 1923; and

WHEREAS, he attended Portland's Lincoln High School and, in preparation to work in the family steel businesses, went on to study metallurgy at the age of 16 at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and graduated in 1944; and

WHEREAS, Harold Schnitzer served in the United States Army in World War II as an ordinance specialist; and

WHEREAS, he moved from the army and the family's steel firm, now Schnitzer Steel Industries, to chart his own course in the creation of his real estate firm Harsch Investments; and

WHEREAS, the diplomatic Harold met the fiery Arlene in 1949 and they remained partners in life, business, and philanthropy for 62 years and from this union came their son, Jordan; and

WHEREAS, Harold Schnitzer taught his son, Jordan, "Look out for the other fellow. Appreciate the opportunity and good fortune you have been blessed with, what this country offered its millions of immigrants;" and

WHEREAS, the health and wellness of Oregonians has been protected through the Harold & Arlene Schnitzer CARE Foundation, and its transformational philanthropic support for the Harold Schnitzer Diabetes Health Center at Oregon Health and Sciences University, OHSU Center for Women's Health, Doernbecher Children's Hospital, the Oregon Stroke Center, Casey Eye Institute, the Center for Ethics in Healthcare, rural and global health programs, neurology and oncology research; and

WHEREAS, Harold honored his Jewish faith and his community with the development of the Mittelman Jewish Community Center, the relocation of Temple Beth Israel, and endowing a Judaic Studies program at the University of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, countless creative legacies have been born from Harold and Arlene's support of artists and the arts through the Fountain Gallery, Portland Art Museum, the Oregon Symphony and the

Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts, and numerous other arts and cultural organizations and endeavors large and small; and

WHEREAS, Harold Schnitzer is survived by his wife, Arlene, his son, Jordan, two grandchildren, his brother, Gilbert, and his sister, Molly; and

WHEREAS, Harold Schnitzer believed: "If you have the resources and the ability, use them to make your community better than it was when you arrived;" and

WHEREAS, Harold Schnitzer did make our community better, setting a high bar for civic leadership, nurturing a new generation of philanthropists and pouring tremendous heart and soul into everything that he did, and

WHEREAS, he will be truly missed;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the city of Portland

1. Recognizes and honors the vision, generosity and many civic and professional accomplishments of Harold Schnitzer;
2. Offers its deepest condolences to his family.

Adopted by the Council:

**MAY 11 2011**

**Mayor Sam Adams**

Prepared by: Clay Neal

Date Prepared: 5/11/2011

**LaVonne Griffin-Valade**  
Auditor of the City of Portland

By *Emily Matasan*

Deputy

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<b>INTRODUCED BY</b> Commissioner/Auditor: <b>Mayor Sam Adams</b>	CLERK USE: DATE FILED _____
<b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b> Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland  By:  Deputy
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Leonard	
<b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b> Bureau: Mayor's Office Bureau Head: Mayor Sam Adams	<b>ACTION TAKEN:</b>     
Prepared by: Clay Neal Date Prepared: 5/11/2011	
<b>Financial Impact Statement</b> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Portland Policy Document</b> If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council Meeting Date <b>5/11/2011</b>	
<b>City Attorney Approval</b>	

**AGENDA**

**TIME CERTAIN**   
 Start time: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount of time needed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

**CONSENT**

**REGULAR**   
**Total amount of time needed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	—	
Adams	Adams	✓	