

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the matter of accepting the)	
Metropolitan Human Relations)	
Commission Task Force Report)	RESOLUTION
to Portland City Council and)	92-31
Multnomah County Board of)	
Commissioners, February 1992)	

WHEREAS, Multnomah County and the City of Portland entered into a cooperative agreement in 1969 to establish a centralized agency, the Metropolitan Human Relations Commission, to promote better human relations and discourage discrimination; and

WHEREAS, there continues to be an urgent need in our community to conduct positive programs to conciliate inter-group conflicts, build mutual understanding and respect, and protect the human rights of all economic, religious, ethnic, racial, national origin, disability, age, sex, and sexual orientation groups in Multnomah County; and

WHEREAS, community organizations have asked local government for assistance in dealing with increased reports of hate crimes and racist, homophobic, and sexist violence; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Human Relations Commission has served under the original charge and organization for over two decades; and

WHEREAS, the Multnomah County Chair and the Mayor of Portland appointed a task force to review the organization and structure of the Metropolitan Human Relations Commission and make recommendations on what changes, if any, would enable Multnomah County and the City of Portland to actualize their commitment to the safety and well being of all of their citizens, especially those who are targets of discrimination and bigotry; and

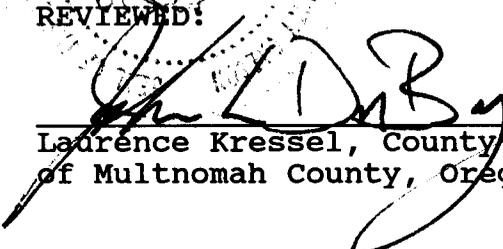
WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Human Relations Commission Task Force has rendered a report; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners accepts the METROPOLITAN HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION TASK FORCE REPORT, to Portland City Council and Multnomah County Board of County Commissioners.

ADOPTED this 27th day of February, 1992.



REVIEWED:



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of Multnomah County, Oregon

By 

Gladys McCoy, Chair
Multnomah County, Oregon