

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

**PROCLAMATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

Celebrating 10 years of the Oregon Center for Nursing: Promoting Leadership for Oregon Nurses

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- a. The nearly 3.1 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and
- b. nurses work to alleviate suffering, promote wellness, care for those facing life's transitions, make social policy, care for the poor and disenfranchised; and
- c. Healthcare transformation in the United States has renewed emphasis on preventative and primary health care that requires expansion of nursing knowledge and skills; and
- d. The cost effective, safe and quality health care provided by registered nurses is a critical component in healthcare transformation.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:**

In the month of September 2012, the Oregon Center for Nursing (OCN) has been promoting a robust workforce of well-prepared nursing professionals since 2002 and is dedicated to leadership development and promoting change to meet the health needs of our community.

**ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.**

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FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

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**SUBMITTED BY:** *Lillian Shirley*  
Lillian Shirley, Director Multnomah County Health Department