

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

**PROCLAMATION NO. 00-096**

Proclaiming Sunday June 18, 2000 "Lesbian, Gay, Bi, and Trans Pride" Parade and Celebration Day in Multnomah County, Oregon

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Sunday, June 18, 2000 marks the date of the Portland Pride Northwest 25th Annual "Lesbian, Gay, Bi, and Trans Pride" Parade and Festival.
- b. The long struggle of gay and lesbian people for basic civil and human rights provides inspiration to all those who work against discrimination and oppression.
- c. The theme of this year's event is "Celebrating Queer Art and Culture," recognizing the tremendous contributions of gay and lesbian artists and cultural workers.
- d. The contributions of artists and performers such as Thomas Lauderdale and DARCELLE XV, and so many more than can possibly be named here today enrich our community.
- e. Art changes lives, and gay and lesbian artists continue to play a critical role in building communities that say no to hate and yes to embracing diversity with love and care.

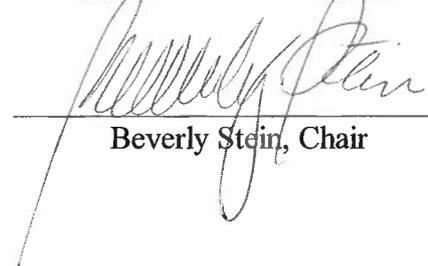
The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

1. The important work of gay and lesbian artists and performers is recognized for its contributions to our entire community.
2. June 18, 2000 as a day of celebration for all gay, lesbian, bi- and trans-gendered persons and their families and friends; our entire community benefits from this celebration of pride, justice and equality.

ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 2000.



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Beverly Stein, Chair