



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 11/5/15
Agenda Item #: R.1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 10/30/15

Agenda Title: Proclamation Recogniing the Observance of Veteran's Day on November 11, 2015 in Multnomah County, Oregon.

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested

Meeting Date: November 5, 2015 Time Needed: 15 minutes

Department: Nondepartmental Division: District 4

Contact(s): Sean Files

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Presenter

Name(s) & Title(s): Eric Ensley, Veterans' Service Office Supervisor; Sean Files, Policy Advisor in Commissioner McKeel's Office

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Adopting a proclamation honoring November 11, 2015, as Veterans Day in Multnomah County.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

November 11th was first named a national holiday when president Woodrow Wilson proclaimed it Armistice Day in 1926, commemorating the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I and honoring those who served in that war. Since then, hundreds of thousands of veterans have served their country in the United States Armed Forces. More than 44,000 veterans are residents of Multnomah County.

The Multnomah County Veterans' Service Office works to ensure that veterans in the county and their families receive all state and federal benefits available to them by providing effective and dedicated representation free of charge. Additionally, multiple other county departments serve veterans through their programs, with particular focus this year on ending veteran homeless.

This item before the board for consideration recognizes the purpose and importance of Veterans Day, provides information on County Veterans' Service Office work on behalf of county residents, and raises awareness about ways that members of the community are helping to support veterans and their families.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

None.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

None.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

Throughout the year, multiple county departments, community organizations, and volunteers partner together to fulfill the commitment to provide improved access for veterans to benefits, employment, housing, and health care.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department**

Director: Diane McKeel /s/ **Date:** 10/26/2015

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