

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Declaring the Week of January 1-7, 1996) P R O C L A M A T I O N
as "*Not in Our Town*" Week in Multnomah County, Oregon) No. 95-268

WHEREAS, the Northwest has been targeted by white supremacist groups as fertile ground for recruitment and hate flyers have been distributed in our communities; and

WHEREAS, all communities have experienced various levels of racism and prejudice; and

WHEREAS, a prepared community is better able to respond to threats inflicted by white supremacists and hate mongers; and

WHEREAS, Multnomah County believes in the principle of equal rights for all and unequivocally opposes any manifestation of hatred and prejudice toward any group or individual; and

WHEREAS, citizens will be gathering for town hall meetings in the Northwest and nationwide to learn techniques for combating racial threats by watching and discussing *Not in Our Town*, a documentary on the experiences of Billings, Montana, on Public Broadcasting at 7PM on January 7, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the project is sponsored by the East Metro Human Rights Coalition, Metropolitan Human Rights Commission and many church and human rights groups.

NOW, THEREFORE the week of January 1-7, 1996 is Proclaimed to be "***Not in Our Town***" week in Multnomah County, Oregon. We encourage citizens to attend a town hall meeting, to work for tolerance of all people by word and action, and to be prepared to defend the rights of individuals.

APPROVED this 28th day of December, 1995.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON


Beverly Stein, Chair

