

**FOR TRAVIS 12/11/13**

We are here today to honor our Multnomah County employees, by recognizing the years of personal commitment and professional contributions, which they have given to the County.

I would like to start by saying thank you to County Chair Marissa Madrigal, and to each of the Commissioners, for your support of our employees and for sponsoring this recognition ceremony here today.

These Multnomah County service awards represent one way of thanking our employees for making Multnomah County an excellent place to work, as well as an outstanding service provider. Every employee that is here today has played an equally essential role in making that happen. You have all been **KEY** to our success.

At this time, I believe the Board would like to take some time to recognize a few of the employees with us today.

***Each Board member will recognize an employee celebrating an anniversary***

- *Lisa White – 15 Years –Library – Commissioner Diane McKeel*
- *Jeanne Ramsten – 30 Years –Library – Commissioner Diane McKeel*
- *Sualua Faalevao – 15 Years – Comm. Justice – Commissioner Loretta Smith*
- *Barbara Broderick – 25 Years – Health Dept – Commissioner Liesl Wendt*
- *Jim Clayton – 20 Years – Community Services – Chair Marissa Madrigal*

Today we will celebrate employees who have served the county for more than 15 years with Multnomah County. Individuals with five and ten years of service have already or will soon be recognized by their Department Directors.

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In a moment, I will be reading the names of those employees who have reached the 15, 20, 25, and 30 year milestones as employees of Multnomah County in 2013. We also had someone with **45** years this year but they were unable to attend. As a side note, we had a 40% increase in the number of people who accepted the invitation for today. If we add up the years that are represented **here** today in the **103** individuals being recognized, we have **over 1960 years** of service and dedication to Multnomah County.

Finally, before we recognize each of you individually, to ALL of you – on behalf of all of us here today, we say a collective THANK YOU and congratulations on a job well done.

When I read your name, please come up to the front to be congratulated by our Commissioners and receive your certificate.

*Refer to Roster*

**Please join us after this presentation for a reception in the back of the room.**