



## MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (revised 09/22/08)

### Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 4/29/2010  
Agenda Item #: R-9  
Est. Start Time: 11:05 am  
Date Submitted: 4/19/2010

**Agenda Title:** **PROCLAMATION– Supporting YWCA’s efforts to eliminate racism and proclaiming Friday, April 30, 2010 “Stand Against Racism Day” in Multnomah County**

*Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.*

**Requested Meeting Date:** 4/29/2010 **Amount of Time Needed:** 20 min  
**Department:** Non Departmental **Division:** Commissioner Kafoury, Chair Cogen, Office of Diversity and Equity  
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**Presenter(s):** Hector Roche/Roberta Phillip, Chair’s Office, Eric Brown, Executive Director, YWCA, Robert Phillips, AAEO Officer, Managers of Color Representative, Sue Ziglinski, Employees of Color, Rodney Gibbs, PRISM

### General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?  
Proclaim Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, as “Stand Against Racism” 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.  
Stand Against Racism is a movement of the YWCA that aims to eliminate racism by raising awareness through its annual event. YWCA is encouraging organizations here in Multnomah County and across the country to ask; “how are we taking a stand against racism?”

The County re-established the Office of Diversity and Equity in 2008 to coordinate its efforts to eliminate racism, and disparities of all kinds, both for the public serve and for County employees. The panel testifying in support of the proclamation includes representatives from YWCA, Chair's Office, Equity Council, Diversity Advisory Council, Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employment Program, Managers of Color, Employees of Color, Vital Aging Network, and Pride Respect Integrity for Sexual Minorities (PRISM).

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

The YWCA will host a kick off event on Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, at 10:15am at the YWCA building in downtown Portland (1111 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue). Everyone is encouraged to attend the celebration. This proclamation also responds to the request of the Coalition of Communities of Color that the Board of County Commissioners acknowledge racism continues to exist in our community and to work to eradicate it.

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**Required Signature**

**Elected Official or  
Department/  
Agency Director:**



**Date:** 04/19/10