



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 6/9/16
Agenda Item #: R.6
Est. Start Time: 10:15 am approx.
Date Submitted: 6/2/16

Agenda Title: Proclaiming June 12, 2016 as Loving Day in Multnomah County, Oregon

Requested

Meeting Date: June 9, 2016 **Time Needed:** 20 minutes

Department: Non-departmental **Division:** D-2

Contact(s): Meeseon Kwon, Policy Advisor

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Presenters: Commissioner Loretta Smith and Invited Guests

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Board adoption of the proclamation declaring June 12, 2016 as Loving 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(s) this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Mildred Jeter and Richard Loving fell in love and married in 1958. Because Virginia's law made interracial marriage a felony offense, the Lovings were arrested. Their battle for the right to marry rose to the highest court nearly a decade after their marriage. On June 12, 1967, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned laws banning racially mixed marriages in the case of *Loving v. Virginia*. Loving Day commemorates the anniversary of the landmark decision every June 12th.

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.

N/A

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

Loretta Smith /s/

Date: 6/2/16