

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

PROCLAMATION NO. _____

Proclaiming the week of June 9th through June 15th, 2010, ReUse Week in Multnomah County

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. In 2009 the City of Portland and Multnomah County co-sponsored *ReUse Week*, a celebration of the principles of reuse, sustainability, and community-building and the local organizations which bring them to life;
- b. Our relationship with partner organizations Community Warehouse, Free Geek, the Habitat ReStore, the ReBuilding Center, SCRAP, and Schoolhouse Supplies continues to grow;
- c. The newly-formed *ReUse PDX*, a consortium of reuse non-profits in the Portland area, will allow for greater coordination among these groups and will further their collective mission of promoting reuse to serve our community;
- d. The highlight of *ReUse Week 2010* will be the Choose to ReUse Fair on Saturday, June 12, from 12:00 – 4:00 pm in the ReBuilding Center parking lot on North Mississippi Avenue;
- e. Reuse conserves scarce and precious natural resources, diverts a wide variety of materials from the waste stream, gives new life to goods and materials, and is an invaluable tool in helping improve the lives of some of our most vulnerable residents;
- f. Our local ReUse organizations annually divert tens of thousands of pounds of waste from landfills, refurbish more than 15,000 computers and have provided \$10.5 million worth of supplies to local schools since 1999;
- g. *ReUse Week 2010* and *ReUse PDX*, together with the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners and Portland City Council, will work to promote the value of reuse in our community and increase its understanding and practice in Portland and Multnomah County;

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

That June 9th through June 15th, 2010, shall be observed as ReUse Week in Multnomah County.

ADOPTED this 10th day of June, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

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SUBMITTED BY:
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