

**MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC COMMENT SIGN-UP SHEET**

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MEETING DATE: 2/1/18

AGENDA ITEM # 21 OR NON-AGENDA SUBJECT: Health Care

FOR: X AGAINST: _____

NAME: Jim Robison

CONTACT INFORMATION (*optional*):

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

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AGENDA ITEM # R.1 OR NON-AGENDA SUBJECT: _____

FOR: _____ AGAINST: _____

NAME: Chris Lowe

CONTACT INFORMATION (*optional*):

ADDRESS: _____

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MEETING DATE: 7-1-18
AGENDA ITEM # 11 OR NON-AGENDA SUBJECT: _____
Health Care for All

FOR: AGAINST: _____

NAME: TOM SINCIC Fam Nurse Practitioner

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

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February 1, 2018

From: Glendora Claybrooks, Chair of Health Equity Committee

HCAO Board Member

To: Board of County Commissioners

For Multnomah County, Oregon

Re: Resolution adoption for Universal Healthcare Access

Dear Board Members:

I am here today advocating on behalf of Healthcare for All Oregon (HCAO), which is an organization that is promoting Universal Healthcare Access. Because of this, I am requesting that the Commissioners consider adopting a Resolution in support of Legislative Action to accomplish this purpose.

Between 2000 and 2004, I developed two physical conditions known as Diabetes and Plantar Fasciitis, which is an inflammation of a thick band of tissue that connects the heel bone to the toes that resulted in a heel fracture. I endured insurmountable pain from sitting to standing to the point of having it awaken me during the mid-morning hours between 2:00 and 3:00 am. To adequately heal, this condition required physical therapy and no weight bearing. At this time, I had children under the age of 18, unemployed, and I was a college student all of which made me eligible for the Oregon state health insurance coverage. Although, this coverage was limited, I still had access to basic healthcare services to help control and treat my diabetic disease and diagnose my foot fracture.

However, when stricken with my foot ailment that enabled me to work, the insurance plan would not cover the extended required treatment needed to expedite the healing process despite the doctor's orders. Therefore, it took longer to heal and this resulted in longer time off work and sustained my condition, which did not heal until 2008.

In 2014, I developed a life-threatening condition of which would have resulted in premature death had it not been for the implementation of the 2010 Affordable Care Act. Under this healthcare plan and its adoption of the Federal Waiver by our state made it possible for me to be here speaking to you today. Imagine what would have otherwise happened to me.

In conclusion, because of these physical experiences with unsuspecting health conditions of no fault of my own, I would otherwise have not had the finances to ensure my recovery, treatments, and other interventions needed to sustain my health status. Therefore, I believe that it is necessary and morally fitting for our state to invest in a Universal single payer healthcare system that is affordable, accessible, comprehensible, equitable, and high quality in its delivery and reimbursement approaches. Such a system would render services without limitations on treatments and healing processes based on costs.

I therefore, urge you to adopt a resolution that would be potentially conducive for all Oregonians, no matter their incomes. And also make recommendations to the lawmakers to enact this single payer system method for the benefit of our state's economy, residents, and communities.

Respectfully,



Glendora Claybrooks
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