

1 BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

2 FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

3 In the Matter of transferring governance)
4 of the Multnomah County Library) RESOLUTION 90-5
5 to Multnomah County)

6 WHEREAS the relationship between Multnomah County and the
7 Library goes back to 1911; and

8 WHEREAS a variety of reports have been written analyzing and
9 recommending changes to the way the library system is governed; and

10 WHEREAS in November, 1989, the Board of County Commissioners
11 directed the Department of General Services to prepare a report on
12 Library Governance Options; and

13 WHEREAS the report was produced and presented to the Board; and

14 WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners held several public
15 hearings on the governance options listed in the report; and

16 WHEREAS assuring the intellectual freedom of the library system
17 and citizen participation is critical for the future of the Library; and

18 WHEREAS County control will assure that fiscal and policy
19 decisions about library matters are made through a public process; and

20 WHEREAS public accountability for the management of the Library
21 is a strong value of both the Board of County Commissioners and the
22 public:

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Chair immediately
24 begin negotiations with the Library Association of Portland for the
25 transfer of all property used in the county library system for the
26 purpose of transferring governance of the Multnomah County Library to
27 Multnomah County; and

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff from Labor Relations promptly
2 negotiate a collective bargaining agreement which meets the joint
3 interest of the County and Library employees; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that County Chair prepare an ordinance
5 creating a library commission to advise the Board of County Commissioners
6 on library matters.

7 ADOPTED this 11th day of January, 1990.



MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

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