

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of )  
a Countywide Election for a Three-Year ) RESOLUTION  
Serial Levy to Fund Library Services ) #90-10

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Multnomah County, Oregon (hereinafter "Board") considers it to be necessary and in the public interest for adequate funding to be provided to maintain quality library services in Multnomah County; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that existing and anticipated county revenues for fiscal years commencing July 1, 1990; July 1, 1991; and July 1, 1992, are insufficient to enable the County to provide library services at an adequate level; and

WHEREAS, the Board determines that in order to provide adequate funding for library services it is necessary to increase the amount of the county's tax levies for the fiscal years commencing July 1, 1990; July 1, 1991; and July 1, 1992, over the amount limited by Article XI, Section 11 of the Oregon Constitution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that an election is hereby called to be held on March 27, 1990, at which the following measure shall be submitted to the electors of Multnomah County:

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BALLOT TITLE

LIBRARY SERIAL LEVY: DEDICATED TO LIBRARY SERVICES

QUESTION

Shall Multnomah County be authorized to levy \$10,300,000 for libraries outside constitutional limit each year for three years commencing 1990-1991?

SUMMARY OF MEASURE

The measure authorizes Multnomah County to serially levy \$10,300,000 for fiscal years 1990-91, 1991-92, and 1992-93, totaling \$30,900,000. This levy replaces a three year levy that expires in June, 1990. This new levy will provide funds to operate and expand the Multnomah County library system. The serial levy will be outside the limitation of Article XI, Section 11, Oregon Constitution.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED as follows:

- 1) The ballot title adopted hereby shall be printed substantially in the form set above.
- 2) The explanatory statement contained in Exhibit A of this Resolution is approved and shall be published in the Voter's Pamphlet for the March 1990 election.
- 3) The amount of the levy outside the constitutional limit shall be \$10,300,000 each year for the fiscal years

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1 1990-91, 1991-92, and 1992-93, for a total of \$30,900,000.

2 4) The foregoing election and election date are certified  
3 to the Director of the Multnomah County Division of Elections.

4 5) This measure is certified to the Tax Supervising and  
5 Conversation Commission.

6 6) The Clerk of the Board shall forthwith deliver  
7 certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the  
8 Division of Elections and the Tax Supervising and Conservation  
9 Commission for their action as provided by law.

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11 ADOPTED this 25th day of January, 1990.

12 (SEAL)

13 By

14 Gladys McCoy, Chair  
15 Multnomah County, Oregon

16 REVIEWED:

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18 LAURENCE KRESSEL, COUNTY COUNSEL  
19 FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY

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VOTERS PAMPHLET  
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The Central Library and the 14 branches of the Multnomah County Library system cannot maintain the current level of library service without serial levy funding.

A "yes" vote on this measure would assure the following:

- \* more books and more materials available on the shelves quickly
- \* shared access to the collections of other libraries due to technological advances and cooperation between libraries

Exhibit "A" to Resolution  
In the Matter of the Library Levy

- \* extended services for young people and seniors
- \* additional hours at all Multnomah County libraries
- \* expansion of Midland Branch Library
- \* increased use of computer systems, making the library's holdings more accessible to library users anywhere in Multnomah County, including homes and businesses
- \* rapid access to current business and world market information
- \* remodeling of Central (downtown) Library
- \* opening a mini-library in a shopping mall

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