

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

PROCLAMATION NO. 07-164

Proclaiming the Month of October 2007 Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Multnomah County, Oregon

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Domestic violence is a crime that traumatizes victims, endangers children, harms families and threatens our community.
- b. Children who are subjected to domestic violence too often grow up to inflict violence on others, creating a cycle of violence that must be stopped.
- c. All people should be able to live and work free from domestic violence or the threat of violence.
- d. Multnomah County is committed to addressing domestic violence and helping those who have been victimized to reclaim their dignity and their lives. In 2000, Multnomah County established a policy to reduce domestic violence and resolved to develop effective and integrated responses to domestic violence, to provide funding for domestic violence services, and to work with community organizations to enhance community-wide responses to domestic violence. (Resolution No. 00-149).
- e. Multnomah County and the Domestic Violence Coordinator's Office is proud to partner with community organizations such as Bradley-Angle House, Portland Women's Crisis Line, Raphael House, Salvation Army West Women's & Children's Shelter, Volunteers of America Family Center, and YWCA Yolanda House in providing hope and healing to victims and are helping send the message to perpetrators that domestic violence is not acceptable in our community.
- f. Multnomah County also recognizes the commitment of the District Attorney's Office (prosecution), the Department of Community Justice (probation supervision), the Sheriff's Office (restraining order service, law enforcement, and corrections), Aging and Disability Services (adult protective services), and Community and Family Services (contracting for domestic violence victim services) have made to address this tragic problem and to help those who have been victimized.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

The month of October 2007 to be Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Multnomah County, Oregon, thus underscoring our commitment to bringing an end to violence in the home. In so doing, we recognize that domestic violence has no place in our society, and we have a moral obligation to help prevent it.

ADOPTED this 11th day of October, 2007.

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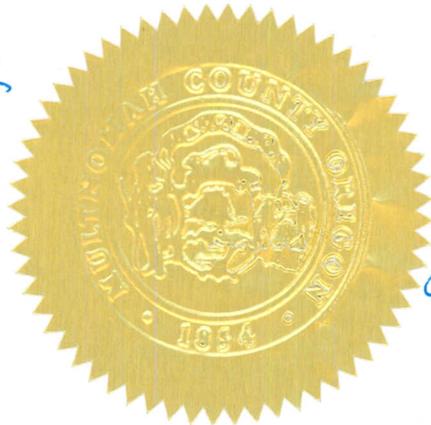
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