

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Support of the Housing Authority of)	RESOLUTION
Portland's Application to HUD for the)	97- 80
"Moving to Work" Demonstration Project)	

WHEREAS, the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development has issued a Notice of Public Housing/Section 8 "Moving to Work" Demonstration, to be awarded to 30 Public Housing Authorities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of "Moving to Work" is to give Public Housing Authorities the flexibility over a three-year demonstration period to design and test various approaches for providing and administering housing assistance that reduce cost and achieve greater cost effectiveness; provide work incentives to promote resident self-sufficiency; and increase housing choices for low income families; and

WHEREAS, Public Housing Authorities participating in "Moving to Work" will be allowed to combine HUD assistance funds in a fungible pool between the Public Housing, Section 8 and Comprehensive Grant Programs; and will be allowed, with certain exceptions specified in the Federal Register Notice, relief from the 1937 Housing Act, and the regulations promulgated under it; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Portland intends to apply for "Moving to Work", in order to achieve the goals of greater cost effectiveness, increased self-sufficiency for residents and greater housing choice for low income families; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Portland will remain committed to "no net loss" in subsidized housing for very low income families in Multnomah County, continuing to serve essentially the same number, income level and mix of family size; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Portland intends to use "Moving to Work" as an opportunity to increase its accountability to the local community; now therefore

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners supports the Housing Authority of Portland's application to HUD to be selected for the national "Moving to Work" Demonstration.

DATED this 1st day of May, 1997.



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