

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

PROCLAMATION NO. 99-215

Proclaiming November 18, 1999 to be "Peace in the Schools Day" in Multnomah County, Oregon.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Governor Kitzhaber has proclaimed November 1999 as Mediation Month.
- b. In the past five years, 40% of schools in Multnomah County have had a student conflict manager or peer mediation program, some supported by Health Department violence prevention mini-grants.
- c. As a result of student mediation programs, schools experience a 34-60% decrease in office referrals.
- d. Students who are trained as conflict managers or peer mediators significantly increase their ability to resolve conflict peacefully.
- e. Students who are trained experience improvement in academic performance and self-esteem.
- f. Schools with long standing programs experience a community-wide commitment to peaceful problem solving from students, faculty and parents.

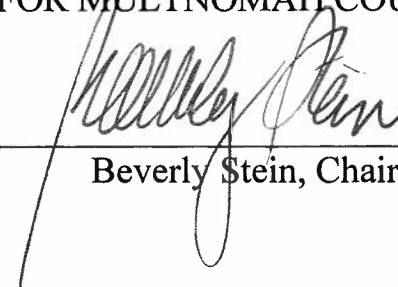
The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

November 18, 1999 to be "Peace in the Schools Day" in Multnomah County, Oregon. In so doing, we commit to support the peacemaking efforts of administrators, teachers, youth and the community to provide all students with a safe place to learn.

Adopted this 4th day of November, 1999.



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Beverly Stein, Chair