

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming)
April, 1994, Earthquake)
Preparedness Month)

PROCLAMATION
94-51

WHEREAS, Oregon has suffered considerable damage from two small earthquakes last year; and

WHEREAS, scientific evidence indicates that Multnomah County is at risk for a major earthquake in the future; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no accurate way to predict when an earthquake will occur; and

WHEREAS, the loss of life and property can be greatly reduced if appropriate earthquake preparedness measures are taken BEFORE such an earthquake occurs; and

WHEREAS, emergency management agencies and the American Red Cross will highlight these lifesaving procedures and provide earthquake safety information to citizens during the month of April; and

WHEREAS, because it may not be possible to overcome physical barriers caused by an earthquake. Individual, family, and organizational preparedness is crucial to survival during the first 72 hours after a major disaster until relief assistance can arrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAIMS:

APRIL, 1994 as Earthquake Preparedness Month in Multnomah County and encourage all citizens to take a personal interest in increasing their awareness of and preparedness for the possibility of a major earthquake or other major disaster in their community, as well as taking steps to increase their safety.

Proclaimed this 17th date of March , 1994



Multnomah County

By: _____

Beverly Stein, Chair
Multnomah County, Oregon