

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

**PROCLAMATION NO. 2013-006**

Declaring January 17, 2013 as Dr. Gary Oxman Day in Multnomah County and Recognizing His 28 Years of Service to the County.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- a. Dr. Oxman has worked tirelessly and with unfailing commitment to protect the Public's health, prevent disease and promoting healthier communities. As a leader, Dr. Oxman has provided caring, strong mentorship and encouragement to those who work with him.
- b. During his 28 years of service, Dr. Oxman has provided advocacy for historically vulnerable communities, exemplified social justice and health equity, and consistently upheld a high standard of ethics, transparency and integrity in every aspect of his work.
- c. Dr. Oxman has provided public health physician leadership at a statewide and regional level. A few examples include the statewide Health Officer Caucus of the County and Local Health Officials (CLHO), the development of Coordinated Care Organizations, and Public Health leadership with both the Medical Society of Metropolitan Portland and Health Share of Oregon.
- d. Dr. Oxman has supported Environmental Public Health employees and their work by boating to Government Island and trudging the trails and briar patches to assess the need for mosquito control and accompanying Environmental Health Specialists to "Last Thursday" events as well as any other request ever made to him.
- e. Dr. Oxman has led representatives from the major health systems in the Portland-metro area around opioid prescribing policies to develop a common and acceptable community prescribing standard to reduce opiate overdose and misuse harms.
- f. Dr. Oxman pioneered an innovative regional Public Health approach with the development of the Tri-County Health Officer group which provides regional Public Health leadership with a unified voice.
- g. Dr. Oxman provided leadership for the development of the NW Oregon Healthcare Preparedness Organization; a regional emergency planning collaboration of regional hospitals and health systems, local and state public health, county emergency management, emergency medical services, medical societies, safety net clinics, and behavioral health.
- h. Dr. Oxman has provided over a decade of mentoring and supervising for preventive medicine residents through the OHSU Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine's Residency Program and Practicum Experiences.

- i. Dr. Gary Oxman has completed 28 years of service to Multnomah County; 3 years as Medical Director for primary care clinics and 25 years as Public Health Officer.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:**

1. The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Recognizes that on January 17, 2013, Dr. Gary Oxman will be Celebrating 28 Years of Service to Multnomah County Health Department as Medical Director and Health Officer.


**ADOPTED this 17th day of January, 2013.**

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SUBMITTED BY: Lillian Shirley, Health Department Director.