

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

PROCLAMATION NO. _____

Proclamation Recognizing 2018 as the 50th Anniversary of the Pacific Crest Trail's Designation as a National Scenic Trail.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Pacific Crest Trail's designation as a National Scenic Trail; and
- b. The Pacific Crest Trail is one of the two original National Scenic Trails in the nation, along with the Appalachian Trail, that were designated by the National Trails System Act of 1968, a bipartisan act of the United States Congress signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson on October 2, 1968; and
- c. A trail between Mexico and Canada along the western mountains was first proposed by Clinton C. Clarke in 1932, and thanks to the dedicated work of many thousands of volunteers, the Pacific Crest Trail route was officially completed in 1993; and
- d. The Pacific Crest Trail spans 2,650 miles from the Mexican border near Campo, California, to the Canadian border near Boundary Monument 78 in Washington, and generally runs along the high crests of the Sierra Nevada and Cascade mountain ranges, crossing diverse landscapes in California, Oregon, and Washington; and
- e. In Oregon, the hikers will pass through a national monument, a national park, six national forests and a national scenic area as they take the trail from the Siskiyou Summit in southern Oregon to the Columbia River Gorge at the Bridge of the Gods; and
- f. The trail is open to the public for foot and equestrian travel, and more than 5,000 thru-hikers have completed the trail in a single trip, which can take 4 to 6 months to complete; and
- g. The management and protection of the trail is the responsibility of a partnership between the United States Forest Service and the Pacific Crest Trail Association, along with many other federal, state and local agencies, and countless volunteers devoted to maintaining and managing the trail for all to enjoy a closeness with nature.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

That 2018 is the 50th anniversary of the designation of the Pacific Crest Trail as a National Scenic Trail and urges all involved to continue to protect and preserve this world-renowned trail for the continued use and enjoyment of the public.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 20__.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Deborah Kafoury, Chair

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FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

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SUBMITTED BY: Chair Deborah Kafoury