



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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## Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 7/19/18  
Agenda Item #: R.1  
Est. Start Time: 9:40 a.m.  
Date Submitted: 7/5/18

**Agenda Title:** Proclamation declaring July 15th through July 21st, 2018 as Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week in Multnomah County, Oregon.

**Requested Meeting Date:** July 19, 2018 **Time Needed:** 20 minutes

**Department:** Community Justice **Division:** Director's Office

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**Presenters:** Truls Neal, Director, DCJ

## General Information

### 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

We request that the Board proclaim July 15th through July 21st, 2018 as National American Probation and Parole Association Pretrial, Probation, Parole Supervision Week in Multnomah County, Oregon and allow DCJ to publicly recognize employees from each unit/team across the agency.

### 2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer(s) this action affects and how it impacts the results.

During the week of July 15<sup>th</sup> through July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018, the American Probation and Parole Association is sponsoring 2018 Pretrial, Probation, Parole and Supervision Week. This nationwide celebration recognizes the work that staff working in community supervision do to protect public safety and help justice involved individuals become productive citizens.

The Department of Community Justice's probation and parole officers, juvenile court counselors, juvenile custody services specialists, corrections counselors and technicians, community works leaders, support personnel and all the other DCJ staff that support them, – as well as our volunteers and interns – play an essential role in our public safety system. They use best practices to deliver supervision, sanctions, and treatment resources to improve public safety and address the factors that drive crime. They work in partnership with law enforcement and community agencies towards a shared vision of a safer community. DCJ staff respect victims' rights and work to provide services and protection for victims. They advocate for the restoration of communities harmed by crime and delinquent behavior.

They selflessly put themselves in potential danger when they visit justice involved individuals in the community or while supervising youth in detention. Often they are the only

support system these individuals may have. DCJ would like to publicly recognize the work of pretrial, probation and parole officers, juvenile court counselors; juvenile custody services specialists, community works leaders, corrections counselors and technicians and all the staff which support them for enhancing public safety in our community.

In addition, this year's theme is "Restoring Trust and Creating Hope", speaking to how communities are experiencing emotionally turbulent times where trust and hope have been replaced with fear and polarization. We will showcase some of the ways our employees have worked to address this polarization and restoring hope.

**3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).**

N/A

**4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.**

N/A

**5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.**

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**Required Signature**

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Director:**

Truls Neal, Director /s/

**Date:**

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