

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

**PROCLAMATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

Proclaiming September 25 through September 29, 2017 as Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week in Multnomah County, Oregon.

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

- a. Multnomah County's growth and prosperity depends on the full participation of all residents at every level of our economy.
- b. Each year, minority entrepreneurs return valuable resources to our community in the form of taxes, wages and employment for thousands of workers.
- c. Minority entrepreneurs are an indispensable force in our economy. More minorities own businesses than ever before providing innovations, products and services across Multnomah County.
- d. Small businesses account for nearly 95% of all businesses in Multnomah County, many of whom are minority-owned.
- e. Minority entrepreneurs serve as leaders, mentors, teachers and models for our youth who are business and civic leaders for tomorrow.
- f. Recognizing the contributions that minority enterprises make to the social and economic fabric of our County, we will continue to remove any barriers that prevent talented men and women of every racial and ethnic background from participating fully in Multnomah County's economy.
- g. Multnomah County celebrates the achievements and accomplishments of minority business owners; we are delighted to pay tribute to them for their contributions on behalf of Multnomah County's economic growth.

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

September 25 through September 29, 2017 as MINORITY ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT WEEK IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON, to thank all minority business owners for their contributions to the County and to show our continuing commitment to the promotion of minority business opportunities.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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Deborah Kafoury, Chair

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**SUBMITTED BY:** Chair Deborah Kafoury and Lee Fleming, SDO