

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming September)
10-16, 1995 as National Marrow Donor)
Awareness Week in Multnomah County)

PROCLAMATION
95-193

WHEREAS; each year, 30,000 children and adults are diagnosed with leukemia, aplastic anemia or other life threatening diseases; and

WHEREAS; these diseases can be cured with a marrow transplant; and

WHEREAS; because the genetic characteristics that determine a marrow match are inherited, a patient's best chance of finding a matched donor is within his or her family; and

WHEREAS; if there are no matched donors within the family, the patient must search for an unrelated donor on the National Marrow Donor Program Registry; and

WHEREAS; the most likely unrelated match is within the patient's own racial or ethnic group; and

WHEREAS; because there are not enough minority volunteer donors, minority patients have an especially difficult time finding donors;

WHEREAS; the National Marrow Donor Program maintains a registry of unrelated marrow donors; and

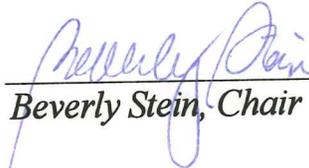
WHEREAS; donor transplant and collection centers have planned various activities to commemorate the National Marrow Donor Program; now therefore

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners HEREBY PROCLAIMS September 10-16, 1995 NATIONAL MARROW DONOR AWARENESS WEEK in Multnomah County and encourages people of all races to add their names to the National Marrow Donor Program.

DATED this 7th day of September, 1995.



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Beverly Stein, Chair