

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

ORDER NO. _____

Authorizing a Designee of the Mental Health Program Director to Direct a Peace Officer to Take an Allegedly Mentally Ill Person into Custody.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- A. If authorized by a county governing body, a designee of a mental health program director may direct a peace officer or secure transportation provider to take into custody a person who the designee has probable cause to believe is dangerous to self or others and who the designee has probable cause to believe is in need of immediate care, custody, or treatment of mental illness.
- B. ORS 426.228 and OAR 309-033-0250 (4)(a) provide the procedure for this process and give the Board the authority to designate staff for this purpose.
- C. There is a current need for specified designees of the Multnomah County Mental Health Program Director to have the authority to direct a peace officer or secure transportation provider to take an allegedly mentally ill person into custody.
- D. The designees listed below have been specifically recommended by the Mental Health Program Director and meet the standards established by the Mental Health Division.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Orders:

- 1. The individuals listed below are authorized as a designees of the Mental Health Program Director for Multnomah County to direct any peace officer or secure transportation provider to take into custody a person who the designee has probable cause to believe is dangerous to self or others and who the designee has probable cause to believe is in need of immediate care, custody or treatment for mental illness.
- 2. Added to the list of designees are: Catherine Blanchard, Jordanna Zaouch, Jami Thanos, Kendra Harding, Dylan Dow, Jamie Trudeau, Abel Gonzalez.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 20__.

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

Deborah Kafoury, Chair

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