



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(Revised: 09/23/13)

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Meeting Date: 10/9/14
Agenda Item #: R.6
Est. Start Time: 10:45 am
Date Submitted: 10/1/14

Agenda Title: **Proclaiming October 11, 2014 as National Coming Out Day in Multnomah County, Oregon**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested

Meeting Date: 10/09/2014 **Time Needed:** 15 minutes

Office of Diversity & Equity,
Commissioner Loretta Smith,
District 2, and Commissioner

Department: Diane McKeel, District 4 **Division:** Non-Departmental

Contact(s): Jimmy Brown, Chief of Staff, District 2

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Presenter

Name(s) &

Title(s): Ben Duncan, Chief Diversity & Equity Officer; Invited Guests

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Proclaiming October 11, 2014 as National Coming Out Day in Multnomah County, Oregon.

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

National Coming Out Day is recognized internationally as a day of self-affirmation and awareness of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) issues, observed on October 11th by members of the LGBTQ community, their families, friends, and allies.

National Coming Out Day was founded in 1988 to celebrate the second National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay rights in 1987, in which 500,000 people marched on our Nation's Capital to raise awareness of and garner support for the LGBTQ community.

Coming Out, which is the public self-acknowledgement of belonging to the LGBTQ community, is not a one-time event. Every new job, school neighborhood or acquaintance can mean another Coming Out. The vision is to have a world community that allows everyone the opportunity to bring their full selves to their daily lives and will embrace everyone's coming out.

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.

BRO and PFLAG Black Portland Chapter have been historically active in developing public awareness campaigns to support the annual planning of Multnomah County's proclamation and other locally based community events.

Required Signature

Elected

Official or

Department

Loretta J. Smith /s/

Director:

Diane McKeel /s/

Date:

10/1/14

Note: Please submit electronically. Insert names of your approvers followed by /s/ - we no longer use actual signatures. Please insert date approved.