

Thank you, everyone.

In my seven years here, I've seen the county through a lot of change. Changes in structure. Changes in policy. Changes in leadership.

But the mission of the county is constant: Helping people. Families like yours and mine. Helping **every** family thrive is what drives me to be a public servant. I have that in common with each person on this board, and every one of the county's nearly 5,000 employees.

The path to this day has been trying for the county, but I can assure you that there's no need to "get **back** to work", because the work here never stopped.

In the coming eight months, I look forward to supporting commissioners in all they do to make the county a better place - from major projects like the Sellwood Bridge and the Courthouse, to strengthening veteran's services and helping our youth succeed - this board is committed to supporting the people of this county.

My office will focus on county operations, the upcoming budget, and finding ways to strengthen access to our services for all of Multnomah County's diverse communities. It's my hope that our work will set the stage for the next Chair to maintain and implement policies that demonstrate true equity and inclusion.

I'm grateful for the support of the four outstanding commissioners beside me today, county employees and my family - including my wonderful husband and two brilliant children - as I humbly accept the responsibility before me.

Finalmente, tengo un mensaje para todas las personas que no hablan ingles. Les prometo que durante los meses que voy estar ocupando este puesto, trabajare sin descanso para mantener y desarrollar la comunicacion entre ustedes y el condado que represento. Creo que si no podemos hablar y comunicarnos en su idioma - ya sea por ejemplo Espanol, Vietnamita, Ruso, Chino, y Sign - no podemos servirles adecuadamente.

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En ingles: Finally, I have a message for all the people who don't speak English first. I promise that during the months I am in this position, I will work hard to maintain and improve the communication between you and the county. I think that if we don't have ways to speak and communicate with you in your language - whether it's Spanish, Vietnamese, Russian, Chinese or American Sign, we aren't serving you well enough.

Thank you again to the commissioners, county employees and the community. I look forward to serving you.

Eloise

*Ponway Heights
9:30-2
practice*

*Free for the
1st two years
for school districts*

Equity:

- Art and music can
- change your brain.
- art improves student development in other areas.

Objed stories.org -

*Story:
Kids struggling
with fractions*

*One day a week. -> Using You-tube
free for kids*

*Dianna - Multnomah Youth Symphony. 482 students
12 concerts/Year
school outreach.
15 school visits.*

*Skype to play with
youth musicians in Miami.*

Violin lessons

*Seth - Bravo Youth Orchestra -
Global Movement ->
80% Children in Poverty.
- cost avoidance - [201]
Outcomes ->*

Commissioner Kafoury.