

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Board Appreciation to )  
Maria Rojo de Steffey, the Staff at the )  
Expo Center, and the Multnomah County ) RESOLUTION  
Fair Task Force for a Successful 1993 ) 93-281  
Multnomah County Fair )

WHEREAS, Multnomah County suffered a significant decrease in racing revenues in 1993 for the purposes of producing a 1993 Multnomah County Fair; and

WHEREAS, it appeared likely that the production of a 1993 County Fair would not be financially viable; and

WHEREAS, there was substantial community support for the continuation of the Multnomah County Fair; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners was committed to providing a venue for Multnomah County youth to exhibit their skills and products; and

WHEREAS, the Multnomah County Fair Advisory Task Force was created to develop a plan for the 1993 County Fair; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force, with the support of Maria Rojo de Steffey and the Expo Center staff, pursued with enthusiasm and creativity, a fresh and new approach to the Multnomah County Fair, including:

- increased sponsorships
- increased community participation
- an innovative hay castle for children
- two Ferris Wheel weddings
- a farmers' market
- a diversity of local entertainment
- a daily parade of County Fair participants
- and other novel features; and

WHEREAS, despite an extremely short planning period, a major management change at the Expo Center, drastically reduced resources for entertainment and advertising for the Fair, and rain three of the five days of the Fair, the 1993 Multnomah County Fair attracted over 26,000 participants, received substantial media coverage, and even made a small profit.

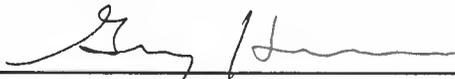
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Multnomah County, as follows:

1. The Board expresses its congratulations and wholehearted appreciation to Maria Rojo de Steffey, the Expo Center staff, and the Multnomah County Fair Advisory Task Force for a successful 1993 Multnomah County Fair, and
2. The Board eagerly awaits the recommendations of the Task Force on the future of the Multnomah County Fair.

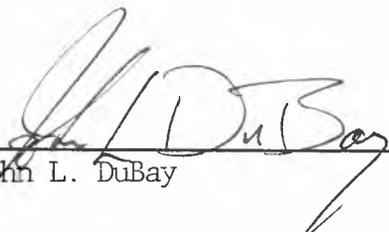
ADOPTED this 12th day of August, 1993.



MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

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