

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 99-33

Establishing a Committee to Prepare a Vision for the Aging Population in the 21st Century.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Older Americans aged 65 and up represented 12.8% of the United States population in 1996, an 8.9% increase from 1990; Older Oregonians were 13.4% of the state's population in 1996, an increase of 10.2% over 1990.
- b. The older population of both the United States and Oregon will continue to grow in the future, with the greatest increases coming in the years 2010 through 2030 when the "baby boom" generation reaches age 65.
- c. The 1997 estimates for age 55 and older Oregonians represent 21.7% of the population now, but that percentage is expected to increase to over 25% by 2010, at the same time we expect increased demands for services to the chronically disabled and populations requiring long-term care.
- d. With the increase in the number and percentage of older Oregonians will come new challenges of diversity, needs and wants of the senior and disabled population, as well as challenges for all providers of services in the aging network in both the immediate and longer term.

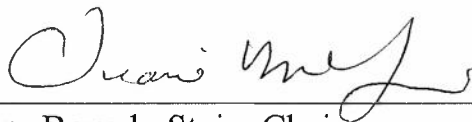
The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. To authorize the Aging and Disability Services Department to convene a committee, with representatives of other local service providers and advocates in Multnomah County, and others with an interest in preparing a Vision for the aging and disabled populations in the 21st Century in Multnomah County.
2. The committee shall include representatives from service providers and advocates, including Elders in Action, Aging and Disability Services Department, Disability Services Advisory Council, public educational institutions, multi-purpose senior centers, recreation services, transportation services and others in the aging and disabled network.
3. A sub-committee shall study the potential impact on the county of the expected increase in the aging population due to the aging of the baby-boom and their findings shall be included in the preliminary findings of the larger committee.
4. The Aging in the 21st Century Vision Committee will present its preliminary findings to the Board of County Commissioners in the Fall of 1999, along with recommendations for next steps to be taken.

Approved this 11th day of March, 1999.

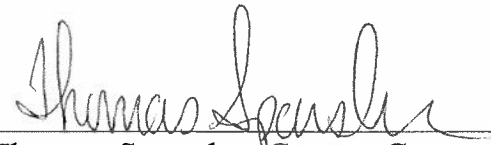


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