

W. 3. B. 1.

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION) IN THE MATTER OF SUPPORTING THE NORTHWEST
) YOUTH CORPS' APPLICATION FOR \$1.2 MILLION IN
) US ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
) FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A COMMERCIAL CERTIFIED
) RENTAL KITCHEN TO SERVE LANE COUNTY
) BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS.

WHEREAS, Lane County prioritizes growth of the six key industry sectors for Lane County, including Natural Resources and food processing; and,

WHEREAS, the US Economic Development Administration has issued a request for pre-applications and applications for funding of "construction, rehabilitation, and equipping facilities" to create jobs in areas undergoing the loss of major employer(s); and,

WHEREAS, the Lane County Community and Economic Development program recently completed phase one of a feasibility assessment for a year-round farmers market in Lane County, which identified the need for a local rental commercial kitchen; and,

WHEREAS, the Northwest Youth Corps proposes to construct a commercial kitchen to teach marketable skills to young adults as it meets the region's goals of building on Lane County's entrepreneurial culture, assisting local communities to build capacity to retain, expand and attract businesses, and supporting the unique needs, as well as the assets of rural areas; and,

WHEREAS, the Northwest Youth Corps was modeled after the successful Civilian Conservation Corps and enjoys a solid 25 year history of working with its partners to provide cost effective, education-based work opportunities for Lane County's citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Northwest Youth Corps will coordinate activities with Lane County Environmental Health and the Lane Community College Business Development Center to assist in small business planning for the enterprise; and,

WHEREAS, the application for funding requires a resolution from a general purpose subdivision of government of a state acknowledging that Northwest Youth Corps, the operator of the proposed kitchen, is acting in cooperation with officials of that subdivision; now therefore,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners support the Northwest Youth Corps' submission of a commercial kitchen grant application to the federal Economic Development Administration in the amount of \$1.2 million for the period of November 25, 2008 through November 24, 2009.

APPROVED this 10th day of December, 2008.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
12/3/08
Date: _____
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OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners