IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO. 08-6-18-	 IN THE MATTER OF WELCOMING PARTICIPANTS TO THE 2008 OLYMPIC TRIALS AND DESIGNATING ELECTED OFFICIALS AS LANE COUNTY AMBASSADORS
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WHEREAS Hayward Field at the University of Oregon is the venue for the 2008 Olympic Track and Field Trials (hereinafter Olympic Trials) from June 27, 2008 through July 6, 2008, and

WHEREAS on behalf of Lane County and the greater community, Commissioner Bobby Green participated in the presentation of the proposal to USA Track and Field select Hayward Field as the venue for the Olympic Trials, and

WHEREAS on February 2, 2006 Lane County granted room tax funds in the amount of \$250,000 to the Oregon Track Club to obtain the rights to obtain the Olympic Trials, and

WHEREAS Lane County Commissioners and staff have actively participated in the intergovernmental efforts in the planning process for the Olympic Trials through a commitment

WHEREAS the Olympic Trials will attract athletes, visitors, media, and governmental officials from around Oregon, the United States and globally, and

WHEREAS representation of Lane County at events involving the Olympic Trials is in the County's best interests from the perspectives of intergovernmental cooperation, economic development, tourism marketing, as well as the public safety for the athletes, visitors and community members in attendance,

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Lane County officially welcomes the athletes, coaches, visitors and other participants involved with the Olympic Trials, and encourages their enjoying recreational and cultural benefits that rural and urban Lane County offer when they are not actively engaged in Olympic Trials activities, and it is further

ORDERED that the Board of Commissioners recognizes and acknowledges that the events, festival and entertainment associated with the Olympic Trials are matters of county concern and therefore official business of Lane County by virtue of their economic impact to the community as well as the need to assist with public safety, recreation and public information

ORDERED that the individual County Commissioners, County elected officials and County Administrator are hereby directed, requested and authorized to attend, participate and appear in their official capacity as representatives of Lane County with respect to any and all events involved or associated with the Olympic Trials and with the entities that are bringing them to Eugene or in assisting in putting on the Olympic Trials.

DATED this 18th day June, 2008.

APPROVED AS 10 FORM

Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners

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