BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON

Resolution Affirming Clackamas County's Commitment to Explore Opportunities for Transitional Shelter Communities

Resolution No. 2017-101

WHEREAS, the 2017 Point in Time Homeless Count identified more than 2,200 persons living in emergency shelters or unstable housing in Clackamas County; and

WHEREAS, Clackamas County is committed to achieving outcomes that improve the safety, health, and prosperity of all who live, work and play in Clackamas County; and

WHEREAS, the urgency of the region's housing crisis has compelled Clackamas County to amend its Zoning and Development Ordinance to allow transitional shelter communities in industrial zones, the Board of Commissioners also acknowledges that industrial land is used for industry and is often inconsistent with residential uses; and

WHEREAS, Clackamas County's efforts in zoning industrial land for transitional shelter is a practical effort to address an urgent need and not intending to remove or isolate our homeless population; and

NOW THEREFORE, Clackamas County is committed to promoting workforce development and growing the inventory of industrial/employment lands; and the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners following the success of the Veterans Transitional Shelter pilot project, does hereby resolve to:

- Explore and identify suitable lands for transitional shelter communities, including outside of industrial zones.
- Develop standards of operations that include access to transportation, to social services and that provide employment opportunities for transitional shelter communities.
- Explore various options for addressing critical housing needs for our community and seek the collaborative support and participation of our cities, residents, businesses, community groups and stakeholders in this effort.
- Ensure that Clackamas County's department of Health, Housing and Human Services has the adequate resources to review and approve proposed operators of any future transitional shelter communities.

Dated this 24th day of August, 2017

Chair

Recording Secretary

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS