BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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In the Matter of Participating in Funding Activities of the Oregon Office for Community Dispute Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 10 - 2005

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners believes that the settlement of disputes by mediation may lead to more long-lasting and mutually satisfactory agreements; and

WHEREAS, mediation may reduce the need for time-consuming and costly litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Legislature in the 1989 Session created the Oregon Dispute Resolution Commission, one of whose charges is has charged the Oregon Office for Community Dispute Resolution (OOCDR) at the University of Oregon School of Law with the responsibility to foster the development of community mediation programs by making available to participating Counties funding from a surcharge on civil filing fees; and

WHEREAS, any county wishing to participate must formally notify the OOCDR of its intentions;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:

1. Columbia County hereby notifies the OOCDR of its desire to be a participant in the expenditure of funds for dispute resolution programs within Columbia County; and

2. Columbia County agrees to engage in a selection process and to select as funding recipients those entities both qualified by the standards and guidelines adopted by the OOCDR and capable of and willing to provide community dispute resolution services according to the rules adopted by the OOCDR.

DATED this <u>31st</u> of March, 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON By: Chair By: Commissi 6ne Βv Commissioner

Approved as to form:

By: Office of County Counsel

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