BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Adopting a Schedule of Fines)	
for Building Code Violations Enforceable under)	ORDER NO. 42-2014
the Columbia County Enforcement Ordinance)	

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Enforcement Ordinance, as amended, hereinafter referred to as the "Enforcement Ordinance," provides for enforcement of the County's Building Inspection Program; and

WHEREAS, Section 23 of the Enforcement Ordinance provides the process for issuing violations and imposing penalties, and Section 24 establishes the penalties. Section 24 provides that the penalties for Building Code violations "shall be a fine not exceeding \$5,000 for a single violation or \$1,000 each day for a continuing violation"; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that adopting a schedule of fines for building code violations based on whether the violation is a first time or repeat offense will ensure that the fines are fairly and consistently imposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Schedule of Fines for Building Code Violations, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference, is adopted and shall be used by persons authorized to impose fines for building code violations in determining the amount of the fine to be imposed.

Approved as to form

By:

Office of County Counsel

By:

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By:

Earl Fisher, Commissioner

EXHIBIT A SCHEDULE OF FINES FOR BUILDING CODE VIOLATIONS

First Offense (1/3 of maximum fine)	\$1,667 single violation \$333 each day for continuing violations
Second Offense (2/3 of maximum fine)	\$3,333 single violation \$667 each day for continuing violations
Third or More Offense (maximum fine)	\$5,000 single violation \$1,000 each day for continuing violations

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