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

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING COLUMBIA)	
COUNTY'S OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 1530 AN	ĺ	RESOLUTION NO. 17-2020
ACT RELATING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS	Ĺ	

WHEREAS, The Columbia County Board of Commissioners represents over 50,000 people; and

WHEREAS, Columbia County provides a wide range of critically needed services to its residents including health and human services, roads, parks, and public safety; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530 will directly impact the cost to Columbia County and the residents of Columbia County in significant increases in the cost to provide services through increased utility costs and increased costs in fuel related to providing those critically needed services as well as the costs of providing goods and services which are dependent on truck and rail transportation; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530 impacts through increases in utility costs and fuel costs will further burden the residents of Columbia County who are already burdened by the increasing costs of living in our communities through higher rents, increasing costs to purchase a home and additional tax burdens placed on them by the State of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1530's impact through increases in utility costs and fuel costs will significantly hamper the ability of the residents of Columbia County to attempt to recover from the economic devastation remaining from the last recession; and

WHEREAS, The Columbia County Board of Commissioners recognizes that the intent of the voter approved short legislative session was designed to be a "housekeeping" session to correct existing bills or for emergency legislation. And that any proposed legislation of this magnitude should be appropriately addressed in a standard legislative session; and

WHEREAS, any benefits derived through Senate Bill 1530, many of which are in dispute, do not justify the penalties and cost caused by the Bill.

Now, therefore

The Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County PROCLAIMS:

Columbia County, Oregon is opposed to Senate Bill 1530 of the 80th Oregon Legislative Assembly which will have punitive impact of Columbia County and the citizens of Columbia County.

Dated this 19th day of February, 2020, at St. Helens, Oregon.

Columbia County Board of Commissioners

Alex Tardif, Chair

Margaret Magruder, Commissioner

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner