## BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming Census 2000 as a Top Priority for Columbia County	ORDER NO132000
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WHEREAS, the Census is vital to Columbia County in that it determines the apportionment of seats in the United States House of Representatives and the Oregon Legislature, and is the basis for the allocation of billions of dollars of Federal, State and County funds for social and other programs; and

WHEREAS, the Census is also used to help determine where to locate schools, day care centers, senior citizen centers, hospitals and other facilities and is used to make decisions concerning business growth and jobs; and

WHEREAS, Census information is confidential and protected by federal law, prohibiting any public or private agency from gaining access to confidential Census data; and

WHEREAS, Columbia County is committed to a full and accurate Census count and is placing special emphasis on enumerating members of traditionally undercounted population groups;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon, hereby proclaims Census 2000 to be a top priority for our community, encourages participation in Columbia County's Complete Count Committee, and dedicates the County to working in partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau to achieve an accurate and complete count in 2000.

DATED this \_9th\_ day of \_February , 2000.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: Not present

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