BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of an Ordinance Providing that Tax Roll Numbers Shall Be Stated on Instruments Transferring Real Property

ORDINANCE NO. 89-2

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The Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY.

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to ORS 203.035.

SECTION 2. TITLE.

This ordinance shall be known as Ordinance No. _____.

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SECTION 3. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this ordinance is to improve the assessment and taxation of real property in Columbia County by requesting certain real estate transfer instruments to be denoted with the tax roll number or numbers assigned to each lot or parcel conveyed.

SECTION 4. POLICY.

It is the policy of Columbia County that all instruments selling, granting, assigning, leasing, transferring, awarding or otherwise conveying real property presented for recording by the Columbia County Clerk shall state on the face of such instruments the tax roll number or numbers of the lot(s) or parcel(s) conveyed. Such numbers shall serve only for administrative and procedural purposes and shall not be proof of title, and in the event of any conflicts, the legal description stated upon the documents shall govern.

SECTION 5. IMPLEMENTATION.

A. Prior to recording any of the instruments described above, a person shall denote on the instrument the tax roll number or numbers of the lot(s) or parcel(s) conveyed. If the instrument describes a lot or parcel which has been created by the division of an existing tax lot or parcel and which at the time of the recording has not been given a separate tax roll number, the person recording the instrument shall denote the instrument with the words "portion of" and the tax roll number or numbers from which it was created.

Failure to make the notations described in this section shall not invalidate the conveyance.

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B. The Columbia County Clerk and Columbia County Assessor shall request persons recording instruments to denote the tax roll number or numbers on their instruments prior to recordation. Such persons may obtain the tax roll numbers from the County Assessor.

SECTION 6. NONLIABILITY.

A. There shall be no liability imposed by this ordinance against any person for submitting an instrument for recording that contains an erroneous tax roll number or that does not contain any such number.

B. No action may be maintained against Columbia County, the County Clerk, the County Assessor, or their deputies and employees for not so requesting any such person to supply the tax roll number. No action may be maintained against Columbia County, the Columbia County Clerk, or their deputies and employees for recording an instrument that contains an erroneous tax roll number or that does not contain the tax roll number of the lot or parcel conveyed.

SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 8. EMERGENCY.

This ordinance being immediately necessary to maintain the public health, safety and welfare, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance takes effect on February 1st, 1989.

REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON THIS <u>lst</u> DAY OF <u>February</u>, 1989.

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By: Chairman

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Attest:

Recording Secretary

First Reading: <u>02-01-89</u> Second Reading: <u>02-01-89</u> Effective Date: <u>02-01-89</u>

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