BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

PROCLAMATION NO. 2010-138

Proclaiming the Week of September 29, 2010 through October 6, 2010, as Minority Enterprise Development Week in Multnomah County, Oregon

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- Multnomah County's growth and prosperity depends on the full participation of all Α. residents at every level of our economy.
- В. Each year, Minority entrepreneurs return valuable resources to our community in the form of taxes, wages and employment for thousands of workers.
- C. Throughout our Nation over 4.1 million Minority-owned firms earn a total of \$694.1 billion in revenue and employ 4.8 million employees.
- D. Minority entrepreneurs are an indispensable force in our economy. More minorities own businesses than ever before providing innovations, products and services across Multnomah County.
- E. Minority Entrepreneurs serve as leaders, mentors, teachers and models for our youth who are our business and civic leaders of tomorrow.
- F. Recognizing the contributions that minority enterprises make to the social and economic fabric of our County, we will continue to remove any barriers that prevent talented men and women of every racial and ethnic background from participating fully in Multnomah County's economy.
- G. Multnomah County celebrates the achievements and accomplishments of minority business owners; we are delighted to pay them tribute for their contributions on behalf of Multnomah County's economic growth.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

September 29, 2010 through October 6, 2010, as MINORITY ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT WEEK IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON, to thank all our minority business owners for their contributions to the County and to show our continuing commitment to the promotion of minority business opportunities.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of September, 2010

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