BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 16-12-16-01

IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY AS A RESULT OF THE DECEMBER 14, 2016 ICE STORM.

WHEREAS; Lane County has experienced a severe ice storm that has caused widespread power outages and road closures from downed trees and power lines, and:

WHEREAS, the preliminary assessment of infrastructure damage is widespread and the county needs flexibility in managing resources under the existing emergency conditions, which may include waiving normal contract workforce bid requirements and:

WHEREAS, the County needs to raise public awareness and involve the public in protecting their resources, and:

WHEREAS, Lane County has initially responded but concludes that the ice storm is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a Local Emergency Declaration, and;

WHEREAS, as a result of the damage caused by the severe ice storm the Lane County the County Administrator will need to authorize immediate spending to bring critical services to Lane County citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the County anticipates it will request the Governor to Declare a Disaster to augment local resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County ORDERS as follows:

1. That a local emergency exists as defined in Lane Code Chapter 20 throughout all of Lane County and;

2. All local resources are being expended and are insufficient to respond to the situation,

3. The County Administrator is authorized under Lane Code Chapter 20 to spend up to $500,000 in responding to the effects of the severe ice storm; and,

4. This Declaration of Local Emergency shall remain in effect for 14 days.

ADOPTED this 16TH day of December, 2016.

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Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

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