

1 **BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

2 **FOR LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON**

3 In the Matter of:)
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5 **CONVENING A PUBLIC / PRIVATE**) **RESOLUTION # 18-28-11A**
6 **PARTNERSHIP ON CLIMATE CHANGE**)
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8 Whereas climate change, created by atmospheric warming due largely to increased levels
9 of atmospheric carbon dioxide or greenhouse gases, has reached levels of critical concern; and

10 Whereas science has shown that climate change is resulting from human activity; and

11 Whereas the impacts on the Oregon Coast of climate change would include, but are not
12 limited to, higher wave heights, more powerful winter storms, shoreline erosion, rising sea levels
13 and tidal height, hypoxic nearshore ocean waters, rise in PH levels of ocean waters, seasonal
14 temperature changes, increased coastal drought occurrences, and changes in forest ecology. In
15 addition climate change will impact our community and infrastructure if we become a destination
16 for climate change refugees; and

17 Whereas the impact of climate change will be on our treasured natural coastal
18 environment and the viability of coastal economies and will effect residents and visitors alike;
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20 Whereas understanding and addressing climate change by education and implementation
21 of innovative solutions is the responsibility of us all, locally, statewide, nationally and globally;
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23 Whereas Lincoln County supports the efforts of governments, private parties, and
24 concerned citizens to create, discuss and work on implementation of innovative solutions to the
25 climate crisis. For its part, Lincoln County will participate in providing information sharing
26 opportunities, support forums for discussion of alternatives and innovations, review legislation
27 and policy choices by decision makers on local, state and national levels, and invite the residents,
28 businesses, private and public service providers, including the Siletz Tribe, and all interested
29 parties to participate in a public-private partnership to weigh in on this serious and profound
30 crisis.

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1 **Now therefore, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners:**

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3 Urges residents, visitors, businesses, private parties and public entities in the County to
4 do their part in reducing climate change impacts to our coastal community and beyond.

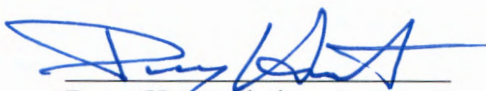
5 Towards that end the Board recognizes the “Lincoln County Climate Change Partnership”
6 consisting of public and private groups and individuals who may voluntarily participate in public
7 forums that will seek to educate us about and address the impacts of the climate change crisis.

8 Lincoln County will publicize these partnership forums, continue to identify and
9 disseminate information on local, state and national legislation, policy creation, and innovate
10 solution discussions addressing these issues and regularly update the Board of Commissioners,
11 the partnership and the public on these critical matters, especially during the upcoming Oregon
12 legislative session.

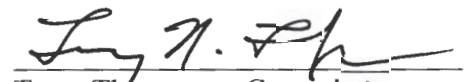
13 Copies of this Resolution shall be sent to the City Manager or Recorder in all Lincoln
14 County Cities and to the General Manager of the Siletz Tribe inviting them to participate in the
15 forums, and to the Newport Chapter of the Citizens’ Climate Lobby and 350 Oregon Central
16 Coast.

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18 DATED this 28th day of November, 2018.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Doug Hunt, Chair


Claire Hall, Commissioner


Terry Thompson, Commissioner