

## RESOLUTION NO. 20-12

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### **A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING WILLAMETTE FALLS AND LANDINGS HERITAGE AREA COALITION AND URGING CONGRESS TO CREATE A WILLAMETTE FALLS NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Willamette Falls & Landings Heritage Area Coalition is to advocate for and strengthen the identity of the historic communities of Oregon City and West Linn by preserving and promoting their important and distinctive natural, cultural, scenic, recreational and industrial resources by leading efforts to enhance, assist and promote the Heritage Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coalition has identified the following initial set of principles for the Heritage Area:

1. Strengthen the identity of Oregon City and West Linn area with the Falls at the heart
2. Share this unique place with others, local residents and outside visitors
3. Make improved public access to the Willamette Falls a priority
4. Build the vision as an integral part of the community and who we are
5. Create an easy to navigate approach to the Heritage area and the core site; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coalition has identified and completed several steps in the process toward the possible designation as a National Heritage Area, including developing and completing a feasibility study; and

**WHEREAS**, to accomplish the designation of a National Heritage Area requires the support and commitment of the Coalition's partners, including Oregon City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF OREGON CITY THAT:**

**Section 1.** The City of Oregon City supports the efforts and goals of the Willamette Falls & Landings Heritage Area Coalition.

**Section 2.** The City of Oregon City will continue to participate in, and provide leadership for, the Willamette Falls & Landings Heritage Area Coalition and work toward National Heritage Area designation.

**Section 3.** To the extent practical, the City will continue to provide an appropriate share of financial assistance and work towards an official Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to reflect this support.

**Section 4.** The City of Oregon City will provide letters of support for securing additional resources for this effort as needed.

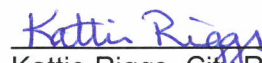
**Section 5.** This Resolution is effective immediately upon approval by the City Commission.

Approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Commission held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

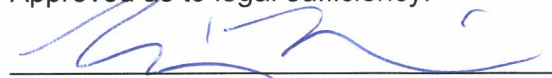
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DAN HOLLADAY, Mayor

Attested to this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020

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Kattie Riggs, City Recorder

Approved as to legal sufficiency:

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City Attorney