BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming March 2025 as "Problem Gambling Awareness Month" in Tillamook County, Oregon

RESOLUTION #R-25-

This matter came before the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners on March 5, 2025 at the request of the Tillamook Family Counseling Center. The Board, being fully apprised, finds as follows:

- 1. Gambling is an activity that carries risk for some people and may cause problems for individuals and families
- 2. Problem gambling is defined as continuing to gamble after experiencing negative impacts on one's life.
- 3. According to the Oregon Health Authority, it is estimated that 88,000 adults and adolescents in Oregon meet the criteria for a gambling disorder, with an additional 180,000 at risk of developing a problem with gambling.
- 4. According to the Oregon Health Authority, problem gambling costs Oregonians an estimated \$500 million in loss of work productivity, criminal activity, high rates of bankruptcy, and addiction problems.
- 5. Problem gambling is a public health concern that can be prevented. Free and confidential problem gambling treatment is available through the Oregon Problem Gambling Resource.
- 6. To learn more about free and confidential resources, call the Oregon Problem Gambling Resource's (OPGR) helpline at 1-877-MY-LIMIT (695-4648) or learn online at opgr.org. Prevention education can also be accessed through the Tillamook Family Counseling Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that:

7. The Tillamook County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims March 2025 as "Problem Gambling Awareness Month" in Tillamook County.

DATED this 5th day of March, 2025.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

Erin D. Skaar, Chair

Paul Fournier, Vice Chair

Mary Faith Bell, Commissioner

ATTEST: Christy Nyseth, County Clerk

Special Deputy

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Aye Nay Absent/Abstain

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William K. Sargent, County Counsel