BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 18-10-16-06

In the Matter of AGREEING TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD'S LOW INCOME RENTAL HOUSING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION (LIRHPTE) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has been informed that on June 25, 2018 the City of Springfield City Council voted to renew and amend the Springfield Municipal Code sections 3.500-3.508 related to the City's Tax Exemption for Low-Income Rental Housing program initially established in 1993; and

WHEREAS, the standards and guidelines enable the City of Springfield to grant 20-year property tax exemptions to qualified low income rental housing properties constructed after April 5, 1993. These tax exemptions will facilitate the development of new construction of affordable housing for low-income Springfield residents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 307.519(2), for the County Assessor to exempt all property taxes levied on the allowable projects under this program there must be support from enough taxing districts such that their combined rates total at least 51% of the combined rate of all taxing districts. The governing boards of a sufficient number of local taxing districts must agree to the tax exemption program in order for the County Assessor to exempt all property taxes; and

WHEREAS, ORS 307.519(2) is applicable to the governing body of each taxing jurisdiction and, therefore, before the County Assessor will completely apply the tax exemptions to properties granted exemptions by the City of Springfield, the Board of County Commissioners must concur with the exemption.

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

 The Board of Commissioners agrees to the standards and guidelines established by the City of Springfield on June 25, 2018 providing tax exemptions for low income rental housing properties under ORS 307.515 to 307.535 and Sections 3.500 - 3.508 of the Springfield Municipal Code.

ADOPTED this 16th day of October, 2018.

Jay Bozievich, Chair

Lane County Board of Commissioners