RESOLUTION No. 37010

Adopt the framework A Home for Everyone: A United Community Plan to End Homelessness in Portland/Multnomah County⁺ (Resolution)

WHEREAS, the City of Portland, Multnomah County and Home Forward, have responded to the issue of homelessness for many years and recognize our collective role in providing a safety net of services to prevent and end homelessness; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, the City of Portland and Multnomah County launched *Home Again: A Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness*, which focused our community's efforts on ending homelessness in Multnomah County, resulting in more than 12,000 households moving from homelessness to housing between 2005 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, City Council on December 21, 2005, through Resolution No. 36367, adopted "*Home Again: A 10-year Plan to End Homelessness in Portland and Multnomah County*," and directed its continued implementation; and

WHEREAS, national factors including the collapse of the housing and finance markets, job losses, and the decrease of the federal investment in the safety net, a rental market locally that is one of the tightest in the nation, and other factors have contributed to the persistence of homelessness in our community; and

WHEREAS, more than 2,500 people sleep on our sidewalks or in shelters each night; and

WHEREAS, nearly 30% of people experiencing homelessness are families with children, 12% are veterans, and 46% are people of color -- a significant over-representation; and

WHEREAS, more than 3,000 children experienced homelessness in Multnomah County last year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland is committed to the fundamental belief that no one in our community should be homeless and everyone should have a safe, stable place to call home; and

WHEREAS, to further our commitment to end homelessness, we need an updated plan that: builds on past success, prioritizes addressing racial and ethnic disparities in the homeless population, and shares learning and an alignment of policies and funds among Multnomah County, the City of Portland, Home Forward, the Federal Government, private funders, and community partners; and

WHEREAS, for the past year, a "Reset Committee" has evaluated prior efforts to end homelessness, the current landscape of people in our community experiencing homelessness and how we can do a better job of addressing homelessness our community, the outcome being a recommended framework entitled *A Home for Everyone: A United Community Plan to End Homelessness in Portland/Multnomah County;* and WHEREAS, the Committee recommends we develop an Action Plan that identifies effective strategies in the areas of Housing, Income and benefits, Health, Survival and emergency services, Access to services, and System coordination, and prioritizes those who are most vulnerable--families with children, women, adults with disabilities, youth, and veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Committee also recommends the City of Portland and Multnomah County convene a Governance with the authority to oversee implementation of the plan, make recommendations and develop strategies on policy and aligning and maximizing resources, oversee coordination of local efforts with state and federal policy, and be inclusive, accountable and transparent to the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council affirms a continued commitment to end homelessness by adopting the framework "A Home For Everyone" and directing its continued implementation in partnership with Multnomah County, Home Forward and our community partners.

Adopted by the Council: APR **10** 2013 Mayor Charles Hales Prepared by: Sally Erickson April 10, 2013

LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By Jusan Janaan Deputy

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