GOOD NEWS!

PORTLAND'S PP&R DEPT. NORTH REACH GREENWAY COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED A MOTION TO INCLUDE OUTDOOR MARITIME DISPLAYS ALONG THE GREENWAYS PEDESTRIAN PATHS.

THESE OUTDOOR DISPLAYS WILL TELL THE MARITIME HISTORY OF THE WILLAMETTE RIVER & THEY WILL DOVETAIL WITH THE OUTDOOR DISPLAYS SITED AT OMSI ACROSS THE RIVER.

THERE MIGHT ALSO BE METAL CUT OUTS ATTACHED TO THE DISPLAYS OF THE VERY FIRST RESIDENTS ...THE EAGLE, BEAVER, SALMON ETC. THE TWO ARTIFACTS FROM THE USS BATTLESHIP OREGON, TWO SMOKE STACKS & AN ANCHOR WERE DEEMED TO BE TOO LARGE FOR THE NORTH REACH GREENWAY. OREGON MARITIME MUSEUM REPRESENTATIVES ARE WORKING TO HAVE THESE HISTORIC ARTIFACTS PLACED ADJACENT TO THE SHIP'S MAST IN THE TOM MCCALL RIVERFRONT PARK.

THE RECOMMENDATION BY THE NORTH REACH COMMITTEE WILL BE FORWARDED ON TO THE PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL.

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BASE OF SUPPORT: OUTDOOR MARITIME DISPLAY

The Outdoor Maritime Display celebrates & honors Portland's maritime activities, both past & present. The display would be FREE TO THE PUBLIC.

The site for the proposed display is along the Willamette River Greenway, generally between the Marquam & the Ross Island bridges on the west side of the river. Maritime artifacts would be placed beside the Greenway bike/pedestrian trails. The artifacts would all be donated & have historical marks.

This is a "grass roots" effort by the following Portland-retired citizens: Dr. Roger L. Gertenrich, dentist & former Salem City Councilor & Mayor; Jim Stroup, NW & Delta airline pilot; Dr. Ed Thompson, Emeritus Professor of Science & Engineering (OHSU); Frank Ansari, businessman (Jaguar Dealership); Don Hill, Air Force/Navy & private industry missile specialist; Caryl Gertenrich, educator & past owner of the Wool Gallery.

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTERS:

- VERA KATZ, Former Mayor
- CHET ORLOFF, Historian
- MICHAEL POWELL, Powell's Bookstore Owner
- NORMA PAULUS, Former Secretary of State
- DONAVAN REDTOMAHAWK, (Dakota/Lakota) Standing Rock Sioux tribe
- CYNTHIA PARNELL, AG Honorary State Regent Oregon DAR

LETTERS OF SUPPORT FROM:

- Oregon Maritime Museum
- PT Boat, Inc.
- Oregon WWII Memorial Foundation
- Zidell Corp.
- Amphibious Forces Memorial Museum & LCI-713
- JHI Engineering
- OHSU
- SWCA (South Waterfront Community Association)
- SPNA (South Portland Neighborhood Association)
- Oregon Historical Society
- Office of Health & Working Rivers
- South Waterfront Nature & Greenspace Committee
- WWC (Working Waterfront Coalition 27 companies)
- Portland Parks Foundation
- RACC (Regional Art & Culture Council)
- Oregon African American Museum
- Portland Spirit
- OMSI
- US Navy League
- Riverplace Planned Community
- Kaiser Permanente
- National College of Natural Medicine
- Columbia River Fish Commission
- South Portland Business Association
- Hood to Coast Relay

- March Wellness Center (OHSU)
- Grand Ronde Confederate Tribes
- US Army Corp. of Engineers
- Tidewater (tug boats)
- Design Museum
- Emmert International Company
- Willamette Jetboat

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