RESOLUTION No. 36840

Recognize mentoring organizations funded by the Portland Children's Levy (Resolution)

WHEREAS the City of Portland supports programs that promote positive and consistent adult and peer role models; and

WHEREAS the Portland Children's Levy, created by city voters in 2002 and overwhelmingly renewed in 2008, has invested more than \$11 million in mentoring programs from 2004 through 2012; and

WHEREAS Portland children benefit from the 10 school- and community-based Portland Children's Levy mentoring investments; and

WHEREAS more than 2,000 students participate annually in Portland Children's Levysupported mentoring programs; and

WHEREAS a number of these programs are designed for children of color, including Burmese, African, Eastern European and Latino immigrant and refugee students, attending Portland school districts; and

WHEREAS these students have shown improved academic achievement, positive social behavior, connection to school, and self confidence through participation in Portland Children's Levy mentoring programs; and

WHEREAS mentors can become involved with youth in any number of settings, including Portland community groups, schools, faith-based institutions or businesses; and

WHEREAS children in foster care can especially benefit from the consistent support of responsible and caring mentors;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that as part of National Mentoring Month, the City of Portland thanks these mentoring organizations for providing positive adult role models to children in Portland: Friends of the Children, Impact Northwest, Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization, Lutheran Community Services Northwest, Metropolitan Family Services, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Portland, Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center, Start Making a Reader Today, and Trillium Family Services.

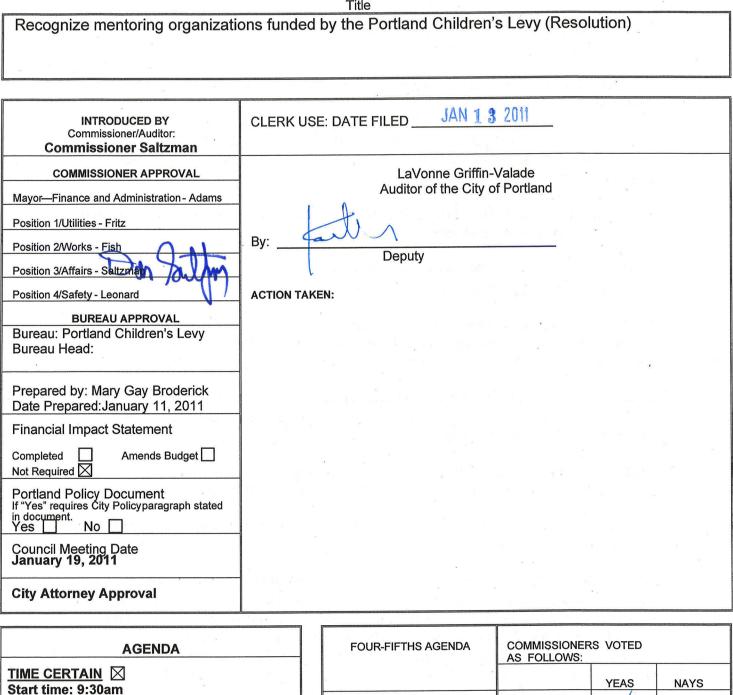
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Commissioner Dan Saltzman Prepared by: MG Broderick January 12, 2011

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Total amount of time needed: <u>20</u> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

CONSENT

REGULAR Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	Commissioners voted As follows:		
n		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	<mark>1.</mark> Fritz	\checkmark	
2. Fish	2. Fish	\checkmark	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	\checkmark	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	\checkmark	~
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