

RESOLUTION No. 36862

Recognize May 2011 as Foster Care Awareness Month and honor foster care programs funded by the Portland Children's Levy (Resolution)

WHEREAS, in Portland there are hundreds of children in foster care being provided with a safe, secure and stable home through foster care families; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy, created by city voters in 2002 and overwhelmingly renewed in 2008, has invested more than \$4.9 million in nine foster care programs from 2009 through 2012; and

WHEREAS, Portland children and families benefit from the 9 Portland Children's Levy foster care investments; and

WHEREAS, more than 500 children participate annually in Portland Children's Levy supported foster care programs; and

WHEREAS these programs are actively engaged in increasing the likelihood of success for children in foster care through mentoring, enrichment activities and mental health and legal services; and

WHEREAS quality services for foster care children result in improved graduation rates and school conduct and lowered juvenile crime and substance abuse rates; and

WHEREAS the Portland Children's Levy investments have provided intensive case management, counseling, parent education and therapeutic support for children and their biological and foster care families; and


WHEREAS, Portlanders are encouraged in their efforts to support children whose families are in crisis to ensure all children have the opportunity to grow up in a healthy, safe and nurturing environment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that as part of Foster Care Awareness Month, the City of Portland commends these organizations for their dedication to helping protect Portland's children in foster care:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters,
- Boys & Girls Aid,
- Children's Relief Nursery,
- Impact NW,
- Janus Youth Programs,
- Youth, Rights & Justice: Attorney's at Law
- Legacy Emanuel Children's Hospital,
- Native American Family Center, and
- Self Enhancement, Inc.

Adopted by the Council: MAY 11 2011

Commissioner Dan Saltzman
Prepared by: MG Broderick
May 2, 2011

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

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Dan Saltzman	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>MAY 06 2011</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland
Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams	
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	By: <u><i>Fritz</i></u> Deputy
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Leonard	
BUREAU APPROVAL	ACTION TAKEN:
Bureau: Portland Children's Levy Bureau Head: Lisa Pellegrino	
Prepared by: Mary Gay Broderick Date Prepared: May 3, 2011	
Financial Impact Statement	
Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council Meeting Date May 11, 2011	
City Attorney Approval	

AGENDA
TIME CERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Start time: 9:30 a.m.
Total amount of time needed: 20 minutes (for presentation, testimony and discussion)
CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/>
REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
	YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2. Fish	2. Fish <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Adams	Adams <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	