SUBSTITUTE 185443

ORDINANCE No.

Establish the Portland Tourism Improvement District to enhance promotion of Portland as a preferred destination for meetings, conventions and leisure travel. (Ordinance; add Code Chapter 6.05)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. The travel industry is a major economic driver in the nation and the Portland region. Travel is among the largest traded sector employers in the United States and in Oregon. Visitors to the Portland region spent \$3.8-billion directly in the region in 2011, generating 29,200 jobs and \$153-million in state and local tax revenues.
- Cities in competition with Portland are increasing their investment, often through Tourism Improvement Districts, in marketing and promoting their destinations. To remain competitive and not lose market share, Portland must increase the funding available to promote the city as a premiere travel destination.
- 3. A Tourism Improvement District (TID) provides a stable source of funding for destination marketing organizations to support sales, marketing and promotion efforts, with the ultimate goal of increasing occupancy and room rates for lodging businesses.
- 4. A Tourism Improvement District is governed by those who pay the assessment and benefit from it. A committee comprised of a majority of rate payers will be formed by the Management Corporation to approve the yearly program of work.
- 5. A 2% TID assessment keeps Portland's lodging industry competitive with other cities.
- 6. In order to reduce administrative burdens, and thus overhead costs for the City, the Revenue Bureau will use existing administrative mechanisms and procedures to collect the TID assessment.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

a. Code Chapter 6.05 is established as shown in Exhibit A to create a Portland Tourism Improvement District

Passed by the Council, JUN 20 2012 Dan Saltzman PORTLAND Commissioner of Public Affairs LaVonne Griffin-Valade AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF

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AGENDA

TIME CERTAIN X Start time: 10:00

Total amount of time needed: <u>30 min</u> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

CONSENT

REGULAR X

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