- Whereas, Portland's affordable housing community has enjoyed a long and productive relationship with our federal partners from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or "HUD"; and
- Whereas, in 1965, HUD created the Office of Multifamily Housing and opened a local office in downtown Portland in 1971; and
- Whereas, Portland, like every other city in America, cannot be successful without a strong partnership with HUD and federal investments in affordable housing; and
- Whereas, in the last 45 years, the Oregon Office provided multi-family loans, direct loans, and grants to 342 properties and almost 23,000 affordable apartments in Portland; and
- Whereas, in 2008, the 11 x 13 Preservation Campaign was launched to address expiring federal subsidies on 11 privately-owned affordable apartment buildings in Portland, home to low-income older adults and people with disabilities; and
- Whereas, the City of Portland was proud to partner with HUD on 11 x 13 to save all 11 at-risk buildings, preventing 1000 affordable homes from being converted to market-rate rentals or sold as condominiums, thereby displacing vulnerable tenants; and
- Whereas, the HUD Office of Multifamily Housing is transitioning to the West Region Multifamily for Tomorrow Office, located in San Francisco, California; and
- Whereas, Portland is proud of the Office of Multifamily Housing's legacy of service to thousands of vulnerable families and individuals in our community;
- Now, therefore, I, Charlie Hales, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim Wednesday, February 10th to be a day of recognition for

The Office of Multifamily Housing

in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this day.

## Proclaim Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> to be The Office of Multifamily Housing Day in Portland (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Hales and Commissioner Saltzman)

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