RESOLUTION NO. 2223

Introduced by All Commissioners

A Resolution Seeking Changes to ORS 244.050

WHEREAS, the 2007 session of the Oregon Legislature passed ORS 244.050, revising ethics reporting requirements for city and local governments; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Warrenton finds these revised reporting requirements to be invasive and onerous; and

WHEREAS, the unnecessary information required by ORS 244.050 includes the collection of information beyond the scope of the Oregon Government Ethics Commission that is not necessary for the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to properly perform the oversight of elected and appointed leaders; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Government Ethics Commission is unable to adequately answer questions regarding administration and implementation of ORS 244.050; and

WHEREAS, the burden of these new requirements and the invasion of privacy they create has caused numerous resignations of duly elected and appointed volunteer leaders, impacting the operation of our small cities, port districts and counties, including the City of Warrenton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Warrenton hereby requests that the Oregon Legislature reviews, hears testimony from entities and takes action to amend ORS 244.050.

Adopted by the Warrenton City Commission this 22nd day of April 2008.

Gilbert Gramson, Mayor

ATTEST

Linda Engbretson, City Recorder

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