| A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE SUPPORT |) RESOLUTION NO. <u>05</u> |
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| OF THE CITY OF LEBANON FOR A |) |
| MICROENTERPRISE ASSISTANCE GRANT |) |
| SUBMITTED BY THE LINN-BENTON MICRO- | j |
| ENTERPRISE PROGRAM | j |

WHEREAS, the Oregon Economic & Community Development Department has announced guidelines for its 2006 Method of Distribution for Community Development Block Grants for Microenterprise Assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Linn-Benton Microenterprise Program in collaboration with the Oregon Microenterprise Network (OMEN) has prepared a project proposal to request such a grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon, as a public agency supports the development of microenterprise businesses commonly defined as a business with fewer than five employees and with capital needs of under \$35,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon is forming a regional microenterprise assistance program with the Cities of Albany and Sweet Home and Linn and Benton Counties to support economic development through microenterprise services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon recognizes that Benton County is the lead applicant for this proposal and will act on the regional program's behalf as lead applicant,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Lebanon declares its support of the Linn-Benton Microenterprise Program grant application for microenterprise development services throughout the area of the regional program.

ADOPTED by the Council and **SIGNED** by the Mayor this 8th day of March, 2006.

Kenneth I. Toombs, Mayor

ATTEST:

John E. Hitt, City Recorder