## BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Declaring a
A Local State of Emergency and
Declaring Emergency Measures to
Respond to Food Scarcity Caused
By Suspension of Federal
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
Program (SNAP) Benefits

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WHEREAS, ORS 401.305 provides authority for Clackamas County to act as an emergency management agency, including authority to establish policies and protocols for defining and directing responsibilities during time of emergency; and

WHEREAS, Clackamas County has enacted a local ordinance (County Code Chapter 6.03) pursuant to the authority granted by ORS Chapter 401, that provides for executive responsibility in times of emergency and specifically delegates authority to declare a state of emergency to the County Chair, Vice-Chair (if Chair is unavailable), Remaining Board Member(s) (if Vice-Chair is unavailable) and County Administrator or designee (if Remaining Board Member(s) is unavailable); and

WHEREAS, the following conditions have resulted in the need for a declaration of a state of emergency in the County: the federal government shutdown will result in federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP") benefits ending on November 1, 2025, which will directly cause or threaten widespread food scarcity that could result in injuries to persons, and human suffering; and

WHEREAS, County Code Chapter 6.03 and ORS 401.309 authorizes certain actions to be taken during a state of emergency when necessary for public safety or for the efficient conduct of activities to minimize or mitigate the effects of the emergency; and

WHEREAS, this emergency is expected to continue until SNAP benefits are reinstated by the federal government.

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- Clackamas County formally declares a state of emergency for Clackamas County, effective on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of October 2025, at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m., throughout the entirety of the County;
- 2. This declaration of emergency will continue until federal SNAP benefits are reinstated and are once again paid to those qualifying for them, or until December 31, 2025, whichever is sooner;

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3. Upon this declaration of a state of emergency, so long as the action is directly related to mitigating the effect of food scarcity caused by the lack of SNAP benefits, the County Chair, Vice-Chair (if Chair is unavailable), Remaining Board Member(s) (if Vice-Chair is unavailable) and County Administrator or designee (if Remaining Board Member(s) is unavailable) are empowered to (initial all measures that may be utilized): Authorize or direct emergency procurements of goods or services pursuant to ORS 279B.080, ORS 279C.335(6), ORS 279C.380(4), and Local Contract Review Board Rules C-047-0280 and C-049-0150; Commit to mutual aid agreements; Redirect funds for emergency use; and/or Order such other measures as are found to be immediately necessary for the protection of life and/or property. DATED this day of October 2025. **CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** Chair