RESOLUTION NO. 2853

A RESOLUTION TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING ON THE PURCHASE OF EMPLOYER-PROVIDED MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION, AND LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF ALBANY CURRENTLY COVERED BY NATIONAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION INSURANCE COMPANY AND FIRST FARWEST LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

WHEREAS, Albany Municipal Code exempts contracts from competitive bids when there is an emergency financial situation which impacts the City under AMC 2.64.060, Competitive Bids--Exemptions: (3) Emergency Execution of Contracts. A contract may also be exempted from competitive bidding if the board by majority vote determines the emergency condition requires prompt execution of the contract. Determination of such an emergency shall be entered into the record of the meeting at which determination was made; (13) Insurance Contracts. Contracts for the purchase of insurance where the public agency either: (1) appoints an agent of record to perform insurance service on its behalf or (2) solicits proposals from insurance agents for the purpose of acquiring specific insurance contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Revised Statutes waive competitive bidding on finding that: Emergency Contracts 127.-10-030 (1) Public contracting agencies may, in their discretion, let public contracts without competitive bidding if any emergency exists and the emergency consists of circumstances that could not have been reasonably foreseen and requires prompt execution of a contract to remedy the condition.

WHEREAS, the State of Oregon has seized control of National Hospital Association and First Farwest Life based on financial insolvency; and

WHEREAS, failure to secure new insurance coverage for the City of Albany employees currently covered by National Hospital Association and First Farwest Life may result in a loss of benefits; and

WHEREAS, loss of said benefits will result in a breach of contract and fair dealings with employees of the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, there are no other known insurance providers willing to provide said benefits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council adopts the findings and waives the requirement for competitive bidding in this instance for a contract for employer-provided medical, dental, vision, and life insurance coverages.

DATED THIS 2ND DAY OF MARCH 1989.

ATTEST:

Deputy City Recorder