RESOLUTION NO. 5577

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF ALBANY FOR A MICROENTERPRISE ASSISTANCE GRANT SUBMITTED BY WILLAMETTE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING SERVICES FOR THE LINN-BENTON MICROBUSINESS PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Oregon Economic & Community Development Department has announced guidelines for its 2008 Method of Distribution for Community Development Block Grants for Microenterprise Assistance; and

WHEREAS, Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services has prepared a project proposal to request such a grant for the Linn-Benton MicroBusiness Program; and

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

WHEREAS, the City of Albany 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 Albany declares its support of the Linn-Benton MicroBusiness Program grant application for microenterprise development services throughout the area of the regional program.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 12TH DAY OF MARCH 2008.

Mayor

ATTEST:

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