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Association of Oregon Counties
Board of Directors
1201 Court Street NE, Suite 300
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RE: Hiring Process of AOC Executive Director

Dear AOC Board of Directors,

The Yamhill County Board of Commissioners asks that you reconsider seeking an outside firm for hiring a permanent executive director. We do not feel it is necessary to expend resources for a hiring firm when we have the best person for the job already.

Yamhill County agrees with the commissioners from Wasco and Marion Counties and we support the hiring of Mr. Michael Eliason as the AOC Executive Director. We believe he has done an outstanding job during this difficult financial period and know he will help the organization flourish as we move forward. Mr. Eliason will also provide continuity and stability for the staff and members of AOC.

Again, please reconsider your approach to filling the permanent executive director position for AOC.

Sincerely,


Richard L. "Rick" Olson
Chair


Mary Starrett
Vice-Chair


Casey Kulla
Commissioner

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