

AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING () Discussion only
(X) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): County Counsel

SUBJECT: Search and Rescue Volunteer Appreciation

<p>Background:</p> <p>A proclamation recognizing search and rescue volunteer appreciation week is before the Board for review and consideration.</p>	<p>Requested Action:</p> <p>Adopt Order No. BCC2024-040</p>
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ATTACHMENTS: Proposed Order

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Checkoffs:

- () Dept. Heard (copy)
- () Human Resources (copy)
- (X) Legal (copy)
- () (Other - List:)

To be notified of Meeting:

Needed at Meeting:

Scheduled for meeting on: April 24, 2024

Action taken:

Follow-up:

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF UMATILLA COUNTY

STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming)
Search and Rescue Volunteer) Order No. BCC2024-040
Appreciation Week)

WHEREAS every year between 10 and 50 search and rescue incidents occur within Umatilla County;

WHEREAS the victims of these sometimes life threatening events depend on trained search and rescue personnel to help them in times of crisis;

WHEREAS the majority of search and rescue personnel in Umatilla County are volunteers;

WHEREAS these volunteers receive no compensation for their search and rescue activities;

WHEREAS these search and rescue volunteers spend countless hours on their own time training in the various skills needed to be proficient in their craft;

WHEREAS these search and rescue volunteers drop everything to respond to those in crisis, often leaving their homes and loved ones during times of inclement weather in rugged terrain;

WHEREAS in doing so these volunteers put themselves at risk to help others in need;

WHEREAS the week of April 21, Umatilla Count Search and Rescue will be hosting screenings of "Where the Rope Ends" at venues throughout Umatilla County; Each event includes a viewing of the documentary, a meet and greet with search and rescue volunteers, and an opportunity to get hands-on with some of the equipment and technology that they use in their operations.

NOW THEREFORE the Umatilla County Board of Commissioners orders and proclaims the week of April 21 through April 27, 2024 Search and Rescue Volunteer Appreciation Week, and encourages all citizens of Umatilla County to express their support and gratitude to a search and rescue volunteer, whether they be part of the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office, or a member of a Umatilla County fire department.

DATED this 24th day of April, 2024.

UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

John M. Shafer, Chair

Celinda A. Timmons, Commissioner

Daniel N. Dorran, Commissioner

ATTEST:
OFFICE OF COUNTY RECORDS

Records Officer