DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LANE COUNTY

Platform Committee

1/15/2015

RESOLUTION 2015.02

A resolution of the Democratic Party of Lane County

Relating to Raising the Minimum Wage

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Democratic Party of Lane County, according to the DPLC Platform of 2014, to "Increase the minimum wage and index it to inflation to ensure a living wage;" and

WHEREAS, Sen. Lee Beyer (D-Springfield) has introduced Senate Bill 327 which "Increases Oregon minimum wage in graduated steps through 2017," and Rep. John Lively (D-Springfield) has introduced the same bill as House Bill 2008, and

WHEREAS, the bill mandates "the Oregon minimum wage shall be above the hourly equivalent of the federal poverty guidelines for a family of four," and stipulates "if the Oregon minimum wage established under this section falls below the hourly equivalent of the federal poverty guidelines for a family of four, the commissioner shall adjust the Oregon minimum wage rate to an amount that is five cents above the hourly equivalent of the federal poverty guidelines for a family of four."

THEREFORE, the Democratic Party of Lane County Resolves:

SECTION 1. To endorse and support the passage of Senate Bill 327 in the Oregon Senate.

SECTION 2. To endorse and support the passage of House Bill 2008 in the Oregon House.

SECTION 3. To work alongside our Democratic legislators as they continue to advocate for workplace reforms that improve the economic situation and quality of life for working families in Oregon.

Resolved by the Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Lane County,
Assembled in Eugene, Oregon, January 15, 2015.

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Celine Swenson-Harris
Secretary