

RESOLUTION #2022-150

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HB-2410

WHEREAS, in November 2018, the voters of the Ontario School District 8C approved the

formation of, and a tax base for, the Ontario Recreation District; and

WHEREAS, the Ontario Recreation District ("The District") was created by voters and

defined under ORS Chapter 266 - Parks and Recreation Districts through the

Special Districts Association of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the Ontario Aquatic Center ("Aquatic Center") houses an indoor swimming

pool, two large locker rooms, front desk area, office, and foyer with three

restrooms which, because of a lack of funds, closed in 2013: and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ontario found that the Aquatic Center will no

longer be needed for a public use by the city after June 30, 2019, and the district was ready, willing, and able to take over the responsibility for the

operation and maintenance of the facilities after June 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the District finds it necessary to pursue the development of the Ontario

Community Recreation Center ("OCRC") for the purposes of improving access to physical activity, a safe community space, and direct and indirect social services that will enhance the economic viability of the region, create jobs

and improve the quality of life for the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ontario agrees that the development of the Ontario Community

Recreation Center will add to the quality of life for the community and has

committed \$250,000.00 of city funds for its construction; and

WHEREAS, the District, in partnership with local state representatives, have submitted a

concept for the 2023 legislative sessions (HB-2410), being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety,

an emergency is declared to exist; and

WHEREAS. HB-2410 authorizes issuance of lottery bonds for distribution to the

Ontario Recreation District to facilitate the construction and project management of the Ontario Community Recreation Center, effective July 1,

2023.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Ontario City Council that the city implores Governor Tina Kotek and the Oregon State Legislature to authorize issuance of lottery bonds for the Ontario Community Recreation Center project by adopting HB-2410.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Ontario this 13th day of December, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:

MILLS, BAKER, KIRBY, HART, BRADEN, MELENDREZ, HILL

NAYES:

NONE

ABSENT:

NONE

APPROVED by the Mayor this 13th day of December, 2022.

Riley J. Hill, May

ATTEST:

Tori Barnett, MMC, City Recorder