

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 94 - 11-22-19

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) IN THE MATTER OF
) COMMEMORATING THE 50th YEAR
) OF THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE
) WESTFIR COVERED BRIDGE AND
) CELEBRATING THE ANNUAL
) BRIDGE LIGHTING FESTIVAL
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WHEREAS, of the 19 covered bridges in Lane County that are all listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Westfir Bridge has several distinctive features. It is the longest (180 ft) and tallest covered bridge west of the Mississippi River. It has the only covered pedestrian walkway, attached separately to the side of the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the original bridge, built by the Western Lumber Company in 1923, was washed out in 1942 by a flood driven log jam, and the picturesque red and white bridge spanning the Wild and Scenic North Fork of the Willamette River today was rebuilt in 1944 and is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, the Westfir Covered Bridge Society, formed in 1991 to assure the bridge remained a part of the community, continues to monitor and improve the appearance of the bridge and the area in its immediate vicinity and maintaining its sense of history; and

WHEREAS, the Westfir Covered Bridge Society and the City of Westfir will again light the bridge for the holiday season on December 3, **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County, Oregon, hereby commemorate the 50th year of the reconstructed Westfir Covered Bridge and celebrate the community's annual bridge lighting festival.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 1994.

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COUNTY CLERK

BY Susan P. B. B.



Jerry Rust, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

In the Matter Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the reconstruction of the Westfir Covered Bridge and celebrating the annual Bridge Lighting Festival.