RESOLUTION NO. 2 FOR 2007

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF SWEET HOME FOR A MICROENTERPRISE ASSISTANCE GRANT SUBMITED BY THE LINN-BENTON MICROBUSINESS PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Oregon Economic & Community Development Department has announced guidelines for its 2007 Method of Distribution for Community Development Block Grants for Microenterprise Assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Linn-Benton MicroBusiness Program in collaboration with the Oregon Microenterprise Network (OMEN) has prepared a project proposal to request such a grant; and

WHEREAS, as a public agency the City of Sweet Home supports the development of micro enterprise businesses commonly defined as a business with fewer than five employees and with capital needs of under \$35,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sweet Home is interested in forming a regional Microenterprise Assistance Program with the cities of Albany and Lebanon and the Counties of Linn and Benton to support economic development through microenterprise services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sweet Home recognizes that Benton County is the lead applicant for this proposal and will act on the regional program's behalf as lead applicant.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of Sweet Home declares its support of the Linn-Benton MicroBusiness Program grant application for microenterprise development services throughout the area of the regional program.

This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 13th day of February, 2007.

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