## **RESOLUTION NO. 4 FOR 2005**

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

WHEREAS, the Oregon Economic & Community Development Department has announced guidelines for its 2005 Method of Distribution for Community Development Block Grants for Micro Enterprise Assistance; and

WHEREAS, Linn-Benton Micro Enterprise Program in collaboration with the Oregon Micro Enterprise 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 Micro Enterprise Assistance Program with the cities of Albany and Lebanon and the Counties of Linn and Benton to support economic development through micro enterprise 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 Micro Enterprise Program grant application for micro enterprise 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 8th day of February, 2005.

ATTEST:

City Manager - Ex Officio City Recorder