

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-_____

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING IMMEDIATE PASSAGE OF HR 3745

Recitals:

- A. Public, educational and government (PEG) channels play a significant role in Ashland.
- B. PEG channels are a unique and valuable resource for local information and discourse for the residents of Ashland.
- C. PEG channels televise local government meetings, including city council, planning commission, county board, and school board meetings, so that citizens are informed about the actions taken by local elected officials.
- D. PEG channels contribute to the democratic process by providing opportunities for candidates and others, such as the League of Women Voters, to discuss local issues during election campaigns.
- E. PEG channels provide a window through which residents can view the diversity of cultures, recreational activities and artistic endeavors in their local community.
- F. PEG channels reflect the unique identity of the communities they serve.
- G. It is important to preserve PEG channels and funding for PEG channels, and to ensure that the channels, such as Rogue Valley Community Television, continue to be available to the entire community to serve the residents of Ashland.
- H. HR 3745, the Community Access Preservation Act, addresses critical and immediate threats to PEG.

THE CITY OF ASHLAND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The City of Ashland, Oregon, supports the immediate passage of HR 3745.

SECTION 2.

The City of Ashland, Oregon, calls on our Congressional delegation to take all possible actions in support of the passage of HR 3745, including but not limited to endorsing, co-sponsoring and voting for HR 3745, and to work for its rapid passage.

SECTION 3. This resolution was duly PASSED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2009, and takes effect upon signing by the Mayor.

Barbara Christensen, City Recorder

SIGNED and APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2009.

John Stromberg, Mayor

Reviewed as to form:

Richard Appicello, City Attorney