

# ***AFFORDABLE HOUSING NOW! DECLARATION TO WIN FUNDING FOR STABLE, AFFORDABLE HOUSING***

**The housing crisis has grown unchecked in the Portland Metro region for too long. We can no longer allow one third of families in our communities to live in housing that we cannot afford. We cannot tolerate communities that are increasingly divided into the haves and the have-nots.**

**Despite our difficult economic climate, we must secure significant, long term funding for affordable housing now. Viable funding solutions have been implemented across the nation. The time has come for our region to take action.**

**Therefore, we commit ourselves to the following-**

**BECAUSE we believe that children deserve an opportunity to succeed in school and life, and a child's success is tied to having a stable home,**

**BECAUSE we believe that hardworking people should be able to afford housing and still have enough money for groceries and other basic necessities,**

**BECAUSE we believe that housing gives seniors and people with disabilities an opportunity to live successfully and independently,**

**BECAUSE we believe that everyone deserves a safe, decent place to live in our community,**

**BECAUSE we want socially and environmentally sustainable communities in which people can work, worship and go to school in the same neighborhood in which they live,**

**We will join with Affordable Housing NOW! in a campaign to win new sources of long term, stable funding for affordable housing.**

***We commit ourselves to this declaration.***

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Name of Organization or Individual

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Signature of Organization Official or Individual and Date

***Yes! Count me/us in as part of Affordable Housing NOW! I/We support the Declaration to win funding for stable, affordable housing.***

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Organization or Individual

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Address

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Contact Name (if organization)

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City County Zip

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Contact's position (if organization)

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Phone

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E-mail

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Fax

**For Individuals:**

- I am giving this donation to Affordable Housing NOW!  \$50  \$25  \$10  Other (\$ \_\_\_\_)  
*Make checks payable to CAT. Please write AHN on memo line.*
- Sign me up for the Affordable Housing NOW! Action Alert List
- I want to join the AHN! Policy research committee  Community outreach committee
- I am interested in volunteering
- Speakers Bureau: receive training in making presentations about our campaign and agree to speak to 4 groups.
  - Volunteer behind the scenes: Help make phone calls, prepare mailings or do data entry
  - Collect signatures in support of AHN campaign proposals
  - Meet with elected officials: Share information about the need for affordable housing and our campaign proposals.
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_

**For Organizations:**

- We are giving this donation to Affordable Housing NOW!  \$100  \$75  \$50  Other (\$ \_\_\_\_)  
*Make checks payable to CAT. Please write AHN on memo line.*
- We will give the support of our organization to efforts of Affordable Housing NOW! through endorsements, letter-writing, phone calls, and other activities.
- We will educate our staff, board and constituents about Affordable Housing NOW! and Affordable Housing NOW! campaign proposals.
- We will communicate with our staff, board and constituents using these means.
- Newsletter  E-mail list  Fax list  Phone Tree  Mailing flyers  speakers bureau
- We will mobilize \_\_\_ people for at least \_\_\_ important Affordable Housing NOW! actions.
- We will refer volunteers to CAT for training as Affordable Housing NOW! volunteers.
- Our contact person or another representative \_\_\_\_\_ will attend Affordable Housing NOW! meetings or otherwise stay informed about Affordable Housing NOW! activities.

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