

RESOLUTION NO. 368

A RESOLUTION URGING THE LEGISLATORS OF THE STATE OF OREGON TO REVERSE THE POLICY OF DOWNSIZING SPECIAL STATE INSTITUTIONS FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS.

WHEREAS, the Oregon Legislature in 1983 enacted a law which for all practical purposes prohibited the prehearing incarceration of juveniles with the exception of those accused of or likely to commit serious felonies; and

WHEREAS, the 1985 Oregon Legislature made modest changes in the law, but still the law does not enable the Justice System to remove repeat offenders from the community or to post bail; and

WHEREAS, there is a concern in the community that if juveniles are allowed to burglarize, arson, and thief at will that a state of terrorism will exist, and the likelihood of vigilante activity will increase.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF STAYTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE:

Section 1. That the state of Oregon must reverse its current direction towards downsizing and eliminating bedspace at the MacLaren Juvenile Facility.

Section 2. That the state of Oregon should continue to provide bedspace in Clackamas County for juvenile offenders who do not respond to other counseling and rehabilitation efforts.

Section 3. That the State of Oregon provide legislation which will require either the juvenile or a parent or guardian to be at least responsible financially for the acts of the juvenile.

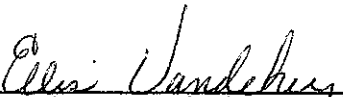
Section 4. That the Criminal Justice System for the State of Oregon realize that there must be consequences for criminal acts, and this must be considered in preparing policy and administrative direction for the Criminal Justice System, and specifically the Juvenile System.

PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL THIS 6th DAY OF April, 1987.

Signed by the Council President this 8th day of April, 1987.

  
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Council President

ATTEST:

  
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City Administrator

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