

Gail Standley, Deputy
Recorder, City of Hillsboro

RESOLUTION NO. 1054

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO THE FALLOUT OF VOLCANIC ASH FROM AN ERUPTION OF MT. ST. HELENS; REQUESTING SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OREGON AND URGING A PRESIDENTIAL DECLARATION OF A "DISASTER AREA" TO ENCOMPASS THE MORE SEVERELY AFFECTED AREAS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HILLSBORO.

WHEREAS, the fallout of volcanic ash from an eruption of Mt. St. Helens has blanketed the City with in excess of a quarter inch of ash and sand, and,

WHEREAS, this constitutes a severe health and safety hazard to the people of the City until it is removed from streets, sidewalks and surfaced areas and will continue to be wind borne for months to come, necessitating great and unaffordable public and private expense and loss of private income, both agricultural and commercial, and,

WHEREAS, PL 93-288, the Disaster Relief Act of 1974 does authorize a Presidential declaration of "emergency" or "Major Disaster" and programs can be provided at the request of the Governor in case of such natural disasters, and

WHEREAS, the cost of clean-up is too extensive for the units of local government to afford without assistance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, OREGON, THAT:

A State of Emergency is hereby declared to exist in the City of Hillsboro and the Mayor shall impose such regulations and restrictions as may be necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City urge Governor Atiyeh request a Presidential declaration of a "Disaster Area" to encompass the more severely affected areas of Washington County and the City of Hillsboro.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City immediately request funding assistance to continue and complete the clean-up operations necessitated by the volcanic action of Mt. St. Helens and the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to pursue all avenues of economic relief for the people of the City of Hillsboro.

Introduced and passed this 17th day of June, 1980.

Larry E. Johnson
Mayor

ATTEST: *Bernice B. Larumaga*
City Recorder