RESOLUTION 2019-01 TO APPROVE ADOPTION BY THE FIRE CODE OFFICIAL OF MOBILE EMERGENCY RESPONDER RADIO COVERAGE PROGRAM

CANBY FIRE DISTRICT #62, A RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY

WHEREAS, the State of Oregon adopted a Fire Code ("Fire Code") which incorporates the provisions of the 2014 Oregon Fire Code ("OFC"); and

WHEREAS, the Fire Code provides that the District's Fire Code Official shall administer the Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Code Official has evaluated options for providing radio coverage for emergency responders within locations specified in OFC 510.1.1 based on coverage levels of Canby Fire's public safety communication systems, and the Fire Code Official finds that installation of in-building coverage is no longer practical or provides the best alternative in light of technical advances to provide coverage using distributed mobile emergency responder radio coverage (MERRC) systems and

WHEREAS, OFC Section 104.8 grants the Fire Code Official authority to grant modifications, OFC Section 104.9 authorizes the approval of alternative materials and methods, and OFC Section 510.1 provides for emergency responder radio coverage, and the Fire Code Official has proposed the approval of a MERRC system in conjunction with establishing a fund for radio coverage improvements in compliance with the intent of the OFC; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that approval of the MERRC System, fee schedule, as attached, is consistent with establishing a minimum level of fire safety under the Fire Code, will enhance health, life and fire safety requirements within buildings and throughout the District, will provide a more efficient and cost effective process for compliance with the OFC, and is consistent with making discretionary public policy decisions for the development and enforcement of an effective Fire Code; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the Fire Code Official to proceed with adoption of the MERRC System, fee schedule, with such further modifications or alternative methods as the Fire Code Official shall determine are appropriate, in consultation with District legal counsel.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, on April 24, 2019

ATTEST:			
	Runer Ellis III Secretary-Treasurer	Steve Thoroughman President	