BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Proclaiming Hangar B)	RESOLUTION #R-23-
as an Official Historical Landmark in)	#R-23- <u>014</u>
Tillamook County)	

This matter came before the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners on August 2, 2023 at the request of Friends of Tillamook Air Museum. The Board, being fully apprised of the records and files therein, finds as follows:

- 1. Construction of Hangar B began in November 1942 and was completed on August 15, 1943. The structure is 1 of 17 built during World War II (WWII).
- 2. Hangar B is over 1,000 feet long, approximately 300 feet wide, and 200 feet high.

 If the roof was flat, it would cover 12 acres.
- 3. 3.3MM board feed of Oregon Douglas fir lumber was used in its construction; it is one of the largest free standing clear span wooden structures in the world. It is also one of the last WWII blimp hangars open to the public.
- 4. Hangar B was one of the two hangars built at Naval Air Station Tillamook during WWII to serve the Oregon-Washington-California coastal areas.
- 5. Hangar B housed the Airship Squadron 33, also known as Blimp Squadron 33, which were used during WWII to patrol coastal areas from northern California all the way up to the Strait of Juan de Fuca bordering Canada. The blimps from NAS Tillamook proved vitally important to Americans during WWII.
- 6. In May 1960, Senator John F. Kennedy made a campaign stop at Hangar B.
- 7. Hangar B was added to the National Registry of Historical Places on March 29, 1989.
- 8. Tillamook Air Museum was established in 1994 and Hangar B is considered the Titan of Tillamook.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:

9. Hangar B is an official Historical Landmark in Tillamook County.

Dated this 2nd day of August, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON	Aye Nay Abstain/Absent
Erin D. Skaar, Chair	<u>v</u>
MF BULL Mary Faith Bell, Vice-Chair	<u>X</u>
David Yamamoto, Commissioner	<u> </u>
ATTEST: Tassi O'Neil, County Clerk By: 1910	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Special Deputy	William K. Sargent, County Counsel