



**HOSFORD-ABERNETHY**  
NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

### **Resolution in Support of Tenants Rights**

WHEREAS Portland ranked 3rd in the nation for rent increases in metropolitan cities with rents increasing by 15% in 2015 and 63% in the last 10 years; and

WHEREAS Weak regulations at State and City levels, as well as low vacancy rates, create a climate of fear for tenants, and force tenants to agree to conditions far from safe or habitable; and

WHEREAS Property owners maintain the legal privilege to remove tenants without cause, putting undue strain on our communities and residents; and

WHEREAS No-cause evictions enable property owners freedom to discriminate and retaliate against tenants who are left without functional legal recourse; and

WHEREAS Lack of protections and enforcement means Portland's property managers determine who is able to live in our community and has allowed them to push communities of color out of Portland; and

WHEREAS Housing and other basic needs are essential to the development of strong, equitable communities and healthy individuals and productive workers; and

WHEREAS Portland tenants need a union to directly confront and transform the injustices of our housing system,

BE IT RESOLVED that Hosford Abernethy Neighborhood District Association will establish housing justice as an essential aspect of the fight for tenant's rights and quality of life.

BE IT RESOLVED that Hosford Abernethy Neighborhood District Association supports legislation that bans no-cause evictions, mandatory payment of relocation expenses where allowed, and repeals the current ban on local rent stabilization.

BE IT RESOLVED that Hosford Abernethy Neighborhood District Association will support Portland Tenants United's campaign to address the Portland Metro Area housing crisis via the passage of just-cause eviction and rent stabilization laws at the municipal, county, and state level.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Hosford Abernethy Neighborhood District Association will forward this resolution with a statement of official support to the appropriate legislative representatives.