

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION 05-

) IN THE MATTER OF URGING THE USA
) TRACK & FIELD GOVERNING
) COMMITTEE TO AWARD THE 2008
) US OLYMPIC TRACK AND FIELD TRIALS
) TO THE OREGON TRACK CLUB, EUGENE, OREGON

WHEREAS, the Oregon Track Club and the University of Oregon successfully hosted the US Olympic Trials in 1972, 1976, and 1980; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Track Club and the facilities at Hayward Field on the University of Oregon campus are now finalists in the competition to host the trials in 2008; and

WHEREAS, hosting the 2008 trials would be a great economic benefit, as the USA Track & Field Association estimates the trials would boost the local economy by as much as \$20 million; and

WHEREAS, Lane County, the City of Eugene, and the University of Oregon have transportation and housing facilities more than sufficient to host the athletes, coaches and attendees; and

WHEREAS, in the last few years the track and field facilities at “Hayward Field” have been substantially improved and upgraded while preserving its historic character as the “Carnegie Hall” of track and field; and

WHEREAS, our County is prepared to fill Hayward Field with the most passionate and knowledgeable track fans in the world; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Track Club and the University of Oregon make Eugene the best location to take track and field to its next level and help build a richer and more vibrant future for the sport.

In the Matter of Urging the USA Track & Field Governing Committee to Award the 2008 US Olympic Track and Field Trials to the Oregon Track Club, Eugene, Oregon

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NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED that the Lane County Board of County Commissioners urges the USAT&F to award the 2008 Olympic Trials to the Oregon Track Club and pledge to fully support them in hosting these trials.

Anna Morrison
Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners

In the Matter of Urging the United States of America Track and Field Governing Committee to Award the Site for the 2008 US Olympic Track and Field Trials to Eugene, Oregon

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