

**Columbia County State of Oregon
Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance**

Section 1. **THE PEOPLE OF COLUMBIA COUNTY DO ORDAIN** that the following ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the **Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance**.

Section 2. This Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance

A. Preserves the right of the People of, on and in Columbia County to:

- 1) Keep and bear arms as originally understood; in self-defense and preservation, and in defense of one's community and country.
- 2) Freely manufacture, transfer, sell and buy firearms, firearm accessories and ammunition, which are designed primarily for the same purposes.

B. These rights are retained by the People and protected by the Constitution of these United States, and the Constitution of the State of Oregon as follows:

- 1) Whereas the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states: "A well-regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the People to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."
- 2) Whereas The Ninth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states: "the enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people," - protects ancillary rights that are closely related to the right to keep and bear arms protected by the Second Amendment; including the right to manufacture, transfer, buy and sell firearms, firearm accessories and ammunition. Hereinafter these shall be referred to as "ancillary firearm rights".
- 3) Whereas the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."
- 4) Whereas Article 1, section 27 of the Constitution of the State of Oregon states: "The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defense of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power."
- 5) Whereas Article 1, section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Oregon states: "This enumeration of rights and privileges shall not be construed to impair or deny others retained by the people." This section protects ancillary firearms rights that are closely related to the right to keep and bear arms protected by Article 1, section 27 of the Constitution of the State of Oregon.

C. Therefore, any regulation of the right to keep and bear arms or ancillary firearms rights that violate the Second, Ninth, or Tenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America, or Article 1, sections 27 and 33 of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, as articulated herein, shall be regarded by the People on and in Columbia County as unconstitutional; a transgression of the Supreme Law of the Land and its spirit of Liberty, and therefore by necessity *void ab initio*.

D. The People on and in Columbia County do resolve by this instrument that:

- 1) The Columbia County Government shall not authorize or appropriate governmental funds, resources, employees, agencies, contractors, buildings, detention centers or offices for the

