

DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LANE COUNTY

Platform Committee

8/20/2015

RESOLUTION 2015.13

A resolution of the Democratic Party of Lane County

Relating to Eugene Minimum Wage

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Democratic Party of Lane County, according to the DPLC Platform of 2014, to “Increase the minimum wage and index it to inflation to ensure a living wage;” and

WHEREAS, the state legislature has not recently raised the minimum wage nor has it lifted the state preemption on local implementation of a higher minimum wage; and

WHEREAS, ORS 653.017 explicitly allows a local government to set minimum wage requirements (a) For public employers; (b) In specifications for public contracts entered into by the local government; and (c) As a condition of the local government providing direct tax abatements or subsidies for private employers with 10 or more employees;

THEREFORE, the Democratic Party of Lane County Resolves:

Section 1. To enact a measure so that persons who do work for the city, whether hired by private employers, self-employed, or hired directly by the city, shall receive a minimum wage of \$15 per hour by the 2017/18 fiscal year, and indexed for inflation thereafter.

Section 2. To require private employers who receive direct tax abatements or subsidies and have 10 or more employees to pay a minimum wage of \$15 per hour by the 2018/19 fiscal year, and indexed for inflation thereafter.

**Resolved by the Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Lane County,
Assembled in Eugene, Oregon, August 20, 2015**

Signed:

X _____ . X _____ .

Chris Wig

Celine Swenson-Harris

Chair

Secretary