



Josephine County Republican Party

JOSEPHINE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY RESOLUTION IN **OPPOSITION** TO BALLOT MEASURE 17-80 PROPERTY TAX INCREASE (Public Safety Levy)

WHEREAS, Measure 17-80, a proposed \$0.93 per thousand assessed property value tax increase has been submitted by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners for placement on the May 16th 2017 Special Election ballot in Josephine County Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the Josephine County Republican Party (JCRP) has closely analyzed Measure 17-80 and estimates it will generate \$37,247,150.00 million dollars in new county tax revenue from 2017 thru 2022; and

WHEREAS, JCRP analysis concluded that this will have a negative economic impact on citizens and business in Josephine County, regressively burdening Oregonians least able to afford those higher property taxes; and

WHEREAS, Josephine County Republican Party support's public safety and the Josephine County Sheriff Department. However, Measure 17-80 offers no transparency and offers no detailed plan on how the \$37+ million revenue windfall would be spent. Measure 17-80 is contrary to the Oregon Republican Party platform of "No new taxes".

NOW, THEREFORE, THE JOSEPHINE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
CONVENED THIS DAY of APRIL 23, 2017, RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. We believe that the economic consequences of ballot Measure 17-80's passage would do serious damage to Southern Oregon's economy and the citizens of Josephine County; and
2. We oppose the passage of ballot Measure 17-80; and
3. We urge all Josephine County Oregon voters to cast a NO vote on this costly and damaging ballot Measure.

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