RESOLUTION NO. 2024-29

A RESOLUTION RENAMING SALEM MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TO SALEM – WILLAMETTE VALLEY AIRPORT

Whereas, Salem Municipal Airport is geographically located in the center of Oregon's Willamette Valley and serves as a transportation hub for commercial, military, emergency response, and general aviation services for not only the Salem metropolitan area but the greater Willamette Valley; and

Whereas, the establishment of commercial passenger air service at Salem Municipal Airport in October 2023 reflects the demands of a larger, regional passenger market, including communities from the Oregon Coast to the Cascade Mountains and throughout the Willamette Valley; and

Whereas, Oregon's Willamette Valley is a popular destination for visitors wanting to experience the Valley's world-class outdoor recreation, award-winning culinary scene, key cultural and historic attractions including the Oregon State Capitol, and access to the Oregon Coast and Cascade Mountains; and

Whereas, the Mid-Willamette Valley is home to six universities, various governmental institutions, and a thriving agricultural, commercial, manufacturing, distribution and research economic base; and

Whereas, the City of Salem desires to continue to honor the legacy of U.S. Senator from Oregon and Oregon Supreme Court Justice, Charles L. McNary, by retaining the name of the airfield containing the airport's runways and taxiways as McNary Field; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, OREGON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-29 renaming Salem Municipal Airport to Salem – Willamette Valley Airport, retaining the historic name of the airfield containing the runways and taxiways as McNary Field.

Section 2. This resolution is effective immediately upon official publication by the Federal Aviation Administration.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 10th day of June, 2024.

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Approved by City Attorney:

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