RESOLUTION NO. 7245

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION AND APPRECIATION TO TOM KELLY FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND OUTSTANDING DEDICATION TO PROSPER PORTLAND AND THE CITY OF PORTLAND

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly was appointed to the Prosper Portland Board of Commissioners ("Board") by Mayor Charlie Hales and confirmed by the Portland City Council effective January 8, 2014;

WHEREAS, upon his confirmation, Tom Kelly became the first second-generation member of the Prosper Portland Board of Commissioners, succeeding his father, Neil Kelly, who served from 1985 to 1990;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly was elected as chair of the Prosper Portland Board effective June 25, 2014;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly presided over Prosper Portland’s landmark acquisition of the U.S. Postal Service and Distribution site in northwest Portland, the first step in a transformative project that will benefit Portlanders for generations to come;

WHEREAS, under Tom Kelly’s leadership the agency embarked upon multiple public-private partnerships to create health, connected neighborhoods throughout the city, including the construction of Gateway Park, the long-awaited redevelopment of four sites in Lents Town Center, the Broadway Corridor Framework Plan, and the milestone agreement with ZRZ Development in South Waterfront;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly provided leadership and guidance for Prosper Portland’s community-focused initiatives, including the Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative districts and the North/Northeast Community Development Initiative and Action Plan;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly has been a steadfast advocate of small business and the agency’s efforts to improve the landscape for underrepresented entrepreneurs and business owners, particularly women and people of color, including the Startup PDX Challenge, the Inclusive Startup Fund, and the Small Business Technical Assistance Partnership;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly championed the agency’s 2015-20 Strategic Plan, setting a new course for Prosper Portland to focus its work on building an equitable economy that serves all Portland residents, especially communities of color and the historically underserved;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly led the Prosper Portland Board in its adoption of the 2017 Communications Strategy and rebrand, launching a new era in the agency’s nearly 60-year history;
WHEREAS, Tom Kelly has frequently deployed his professional skills as a business owner to guide Prosper Portland through complex transactions with a careful eye on how those deals would benefit the community at large;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly volunteered significant time away from his family and business to ensure Prosper Portland’s mission and vision for the city would be achieved;

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly has ably represented the City as Chair of Prosper Portland here in Portland and across Oregon; and

WHEREAS, Tom Kelly has diligently and forthrightly carried out his civic duties on behalf of Prosper Portland and in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Prosper Portland individually and collectively commends Tom Kelly for his service to Prosper Portland and to the constituency of the city of Portland that Prosper Portland represents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted by the Prosper Portland Commission on June 28, 2017

Pam Micek, Recording Secretary
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

The attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution as finally adopted at a Board Meeting of the Prosper Portland Commission and as duly recorded in the official minutes of the meeting.

Date: June 29, 2017

Pam Micek, Recording Secretary