A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 221 DECLARING THAT AN EMERGENCY DOES EXIST IN THE CITY OF PRINEVILLE, OREGON, THAT WILL REQUIRE AN ELECTION SOONER THAN THE NEXT AVAILABLE ELECTION DATE TO AVOID EXTRAORDINARY HARDSHIP ON THE COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, it has been voiced in public meetings that the September 16, 1980, defeat of the City's proposed tax levy outside the constitutional 6% limitation was due not to the proposed dollar amount but rather as a protest to policies and personnel in City government, and

WHEREAS, certain changes have taken place in City government, and

WHEREAS, at a Town Hall meeting on September 30, 1980, said meeting being sponsored by the Prineville - Crook County Chamber of Commerce, concerned citizens expressed the views that operating at the reduced levels of police, administrative, recreational and insect control services that would be necessitated by operating within the constitutional 6% limitation would not be in the best interests of the community, and

WHEREAS, the majority of the citizens present at the aforesaid Town Hall meeting, in a straw vote taken at the meeting, expressed the opinion, which is also the opinion shared by the City Council, that another election should be held as soon as practicable in order to maintain funding for necessary and desirable levels of service within the City, and

WHEREAS, the City is unable to hold a tax levy election for an amount outside the constituional 6% limitation prior to February 17, 1981, without declaring an emergency as required by ORS Chapter 221.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Common Council of the City as follows:

That an emergency is hereby declared to exist in the City of Prineville and an election is necessary and is hereby called to be held sooner than the next available election date in order to avoid extraordinary hardships on the community.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 6 + 4 day of October, 1980. ADOPTED by the City Council this 6 + 4 day of October, 1980.

Vello Giovanini, Mayor

ATTEST:

Henry Hartley

Acting City Administrator/Recorder