CITY OF NEWPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 3981

A RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING SECTION 8.20.020 OF THE NEWPORT MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO FIREWORKS AND PROHIBITING THE USE OF FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF NEWPORT DURING THE 2023 CALENDAR YEAR

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2022, the Newport City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2190 which added Section 8.20.020 to the Newport Municipal Code pertaining to fireworks; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Fire Protection Association, fireworks cause over 19,000 fires and require emergency room treatment for over 9,000 people in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newport is committed to protecting life and property from the dangers of wildfire; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined the use of consumer fireworks during certain weather or weather-related conditions can increase the risk of wildfire; and

WHEREAS, forecasts for moisture and temperature levels for the 2023 summer season are extreme heat and dry conditions; dangerous conditions for the use of fireworks; and significant likelihood of fire damage from the use of fireworks.

THE CITY OF NEWPORT RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Use of Consumer Fireworks Prohibited. The use of consumer fireworks as defined at ORS 480.111, within the City of Newport, during calendar year 2023 from the period of June 6, 2023 to October 15,2023, is strictly prohibited. For purposes of this section, "use" includes lighting, exploding, or igniting in any way. Use of fireworks that are illegal under state law continue to be prohibited at all times. This section does not apply to a fireworks display that is issued a public display permit under ORS 480.130 to 480.150.

Section 2. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted by the Newport City Council on June 05, 2023.

Dean H. Sawyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Erik Glover, Assistant City Manager/City Recorder