

**Resolution to create the NW Energy Coalition
Doug Still Memorial Community Organizing Award**
May 31, 2013

Whereas Doug Still was a long-time member of and leader in the NW Energy Coalition, serving as Board Chair, Oregon Caucus Chair, and a board representative from Emerald PUD; and

Whereas Doug Still played a leadership role in many of the most important social justice, civil rights, and environmental issues of the last century, including marching on Selma for racial justice with Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, standing up for the health of farm workers with Cesar Chavez, organizing with Saul Alinsky and the Industrial Areas Foundation, and securing weatherization assistance and rate protection for low-income residents in Oregon with the NW Energy Coalition; and

Whereas Doug Still reached out to a diverse constituency -- across race, class, geographic, religious, and other demographic lines -- to build trust, form lasting relationships, forge strong coalitions, and engage communities in the work of their own betterment; and

Whereas Doug Still dedicated his life to empowering others to take action, giving them the tools and training to make a difference for the common good; and

Whereas Doug Still led by example, steadfastly following the wisdom of his heart, to advance benefit to the greater community; and

Whereas Doug Still, like many organizers, was content to eschew the limelight -- preferring to lift up the achievements of others while working behind the scenes; and

Whereas Doug Still steadfastly believed that change is effected through forging a personal connection; and

Whereas community organizing through the development of long lasting relationships is vital to the success of any issue campaign;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the NW Energy Coalition will create the Doug Still Memorial Community Organizing Award, to be given to individuals or organizations that demonstrate commitment to engaging citizens in taking action for a clean and affordable energy future and restoration of wild salmon.