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FROM THE COUNCIL . . . . .

The Tribal Council met Tuesday, October 23, 1979 with Mr. Don Whorten of Oregon Legal Service in Portland Oregon. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the priorities if legal assistance became available to the tribe.

Mr. Whorten explained the purpose of Oregon Legal Service and the funding procedures.

Mr. Whorten will prepare a proposal to submit to secure funding to assist us in our endeavor to regain tribal status as a Restored tribe once again. The burden will be upon the tribe to fully support the effort. The Tribal Council will work very hard to reach our goal.

As we progress more and become involved in our move to Restoration, we will inform all of our tribal members, via the newsletter.

To regain a status as a Restored tribe, will provide the tools for us to work with to assist our elders and youth in the areas of health, education and welfare, and regain our identity as Indian people.

As the holiday seasons are nearing, we wish you the very best and are very sorry to see some of our tribal members in the hospital. We wish them a speedy recovery.

I would like to thank the Council members that attended the Oct. 23 meeting, and especially those that traveled a great distance to be there. That type of dedication can only be rewarded by reaching our goals. Thank you.

The Tribal Council

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TRANSPORTATION

In September the Grand Ronde Elderly Transportation (G.R.E.T.) program (both tribal station wagon and volunteer cars) trans-

ported 73 riders for a total of 204 trips while traveling 2,423 miles (approximate average of 12 miles per trip).

Please remember to call 879-5253 and schedule your ride at least 24 hours ahead of time whenever possible. Also, please let us know your doctor, other medical appointments at the office as soon as you know when you are going. There are many riders who would like to go to McMinnville, Salem or Portland for shopping, but hesitate to ask unless another trip is also scheduled.

Our thanks to Hazel Dickson for continuing full-time driving while Candy Robertson has been ill. Her cooperation during these last two weeks has been appreciated. We look forward to Candy's return the first part of November.

OUTREACH

Important Food Stamp Notice: On November 1, 1979 you may receive more food stamps. Persons who are 60 years of age or older

or who receive supplemental security income (SSI) or Social Security Disability payments will be able to have the following items deducted from his/her income:

- (1) Medical expenses which exceed \$35 per month; and
- (2) Shelter costs over the current \$90 maximum.

If you are eligible for the deductions and have high medical costs, contact your worker at your local branch office. Shelter costs will be determined by information you have already provided your worker.