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**Westside Economic Alliance Presents the Challengers
for Oregon Governor at April 27 Forum in Beaverton**

WHAT: The leading Republican Party candidates for Oregon Governor, Jason Atkinson, Kevin Mannix, and Ron Saxton, and Independent candidate Ben Westlund, will share their respective positions and views on transportation, land use, and economic development issues in the tri-county Portland metro region.

The debate will be moderated by Westside Economic Alliance Board Treasurer Steve Clark, publisher of Community Newspapers and the Portland Tribune. Oregon Governor Ted Kulongoski has declined our invitation to participate in this debate, and his two leading challengers for the Democratic Party nomination, Jim Hill and Pete Sorenson, have not yet responded to our invitations.

WHEN: Thursday, April 27, 2006, from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Kingstad Meeting Center
15450 S.W. Millikan Way
Beaverton, OR 97006

COST: The cost, which includes breakfast, is \$25.00 for members of Westside Economic Alliance or our sponsor organization, and \$35.00 for non-members and all registrations received at the door.

RSVP: To register, call 503.968.3100 or e-mail westside@westside-alliance.org.

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About Westside Economic Alliance

Westside Economic Alliance is a member-based, non-profit organization that advocates for a healthy economic climate on the Westside of the Portland metropolitan region. Westside Economic Alliance plays a leading role in the development of this high growth region by providing a business perspective in public forums and facilitating the cooperation between the private and public sectors. The result is a unique partnership that benefits both the businesses and communities of the Westside. For more information, please visit www.westside-alliance.org.

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