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APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE CAREER PATHWAY

CERTIFICATE IN INTERIOR DESIGN: AGING IN PLACE FOR PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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REPORT:

The proposed certificate in Interior Design: Aging in Place addresses an emerging trend in the field of interior design to serve older adult clients. Existing living spaces are designed to allow individuals to maximize the length of time they are able to remain independently in their own homes. This is an interdisciplinary certificate which includes coursework from the Gerontology, Architectural

Design and Drafting, Sociology, and Building Construction Technology departments.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application to the Oregon State Board of Education for a Career Pathway Certificate in Interior Design: Aging in Place for

Portland Community College.