

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, National Diaper Need Awareness Week is intended to draw attention to the issue of diaper need in the U.S. and in Oregon; and

WHEREAS, national surveys and research indicate that one in three families struggle with diaper needs; and

WHEREAS, children go through six to twelve diapers each day, and without enough diapers, babies and toddlers risk infections and health problems; and

WHEREAS, the city of Salem is proud to be home to a trusted and committed community partner, the Salem Cloth Project, which recognizes the importance of diapers in ensuring health and providing economic stability for families; and

WHEREAS, the Salem Cloth Project distributes diaper kits and training to anyone who requests them via its website, including Family Building Blocks, AWARE Food Bank, and Women at the Well Grace House; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, Salem Cloth Project distributed 202 cloth diaper kits to 116 families; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim September 24-October 2, 2022, as

NATIONAL DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK

and urge people to raise their awareness about diaper needs and work together to ensure all families have access to clean diapers for their young children.

DATED this twenty-sixth day of September 2022.



Chuck Bennett
Mayor