

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, early in the morning of September 14, 2025, Allan Bell heard the morning rain and, knowing that his 16-year-old son Liam loves the rain and atmospheric studies, woke him up to let him know it was raining before taking a shower; and

WHEREAS, Liam opened the curtain to look at the rain when he noticed what looked like smoke from the house across the street. Liam immediately went outside and observed the neighbor's house, which was involved with fire. He then called 911 and reported the house fire—the only 911 call received; and

WHEREAS, further demonstrating decisive action, Liam ran back into the house, put on some clothes, and rushed to the neighbor's house adjacent to the home on fire to evacuate its occupants; and

WHEREAS, because of Liam's efforts, Salem Fire Department resources were alerted in time to rescue the occupants from the burning home. Sadly, one resident passed away; however, the second is alive due to Liam's initiative; and

WHEREAS, today we recognize Liam Bell's actions to protect his neighbors and save a life; and

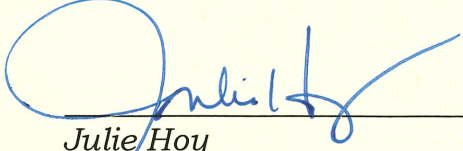
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Julie Hoy, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby recognize

LIAM BELL

for his heroic actions on the morning September 14, 2025. The City of Salem is grateful for Liam's genuine concern for his neighbors and doing whatever he could to help them.

DATED this twenty-seventh day of October, 2025




Julie Hoy
Mayor