

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, from time immemorial Oregon Lands have been home to many Indigenous peoples including members of the Santiam Kalapuya whose ancestral homelands include the area known as Salem today, and throughout the surrounding Willamette Valley area including what is now the city of Salem. They have lived and prospered by maintaining strong cultural ties to the land, and through wise management of resources; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, the City of Salem signed an agreement with the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon and in 2021, the City signed an agreement with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians in order to strengthen the relationship between the City and the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, we affirm our commitment to fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation for the diversity of cultures and celebrating all that Indigenous People do to cultivate a community that honors and respects the diverse history of Salem.

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2021, the Oregon Legislative Assembly approved House Bill 2526 approving the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chris Hoy, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim October 14, 2024, as

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

and encourage residents to join in learning about and honoring the culture and recognize the contributions of Indigenous People have made to our country, our state, and to our community.

DATED this fourteenth day of October 2024.

Chris Hoy
Mayor

