PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol was founded on December 1, 1941, to supplement the United States military during World War II; and in 1948 was designated as the United States Air Force's official auxiliary with three missions—emergency services, cadet programs and aerospace education; and

WHEREAS, since Civil Air Patrol's beginning, the organization has set itself apart during the country's most tumultuous times: locating enemy submarines during World War II, assisting rescuers and state agencies immediately following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, heavily supporting hurricane relief efforts in 2005, 2008 and 2012, and in response to the Gulf Coast oil spill in 2010, as well as aiding communities during other natural disasters, such as floods, wildfires, ice storms and tornadoes; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol further provides vital homeland security missions that help ensure the protection of the nation's capital and the nation as a whole by assisting Air Force pilots with target-intercept training and operations; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol provides exceptional educational and growth opportunities for youth through its nearly 24,000-member cadet program, which annually provides access to top national summer flight academies, as well as national programs emphasizing leadership and careers in aviation; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol's Aerospace Education Program annually touches more than 1,800 educators and more than 150,000 youths teaching aviation concepts that emphasize aviation's connection to history, math, science, government and economics;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anna M. Peterson, Mayor of the City of Salem, Oregon do hereby proclaim June 5-11, 2016 as

CIVIL AIR PATROL WEEK

and congratulate the Civil Air Patrol for its 75 years of Missions for America and its outstanding cadet and aerospace programs, which annually touch the lives and ensure the safety of thousands of American citizens.

DATED this 23rd day of May 2016

Anna M. Peterson Mayor