## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the first ever Mid-Valley Sports Awards will be a red carpet event on June 7, 2016, at the Salem Convention Center; and

**WHEREAS**, Students selected as finalists for any of the awards and all Statesman Journal Athletes of the Week from the 2015-2016 school year will be in attendance; and

**WHEREAS**, The stars of the gala will be the truly outstanding student athletes of the Mid-Valley, the best of the best, young women and men brought together under one roof for the first time with more than 100 students invited to the event; and

**WHEREAS**, An award will be given for the male and female Athletes of the Year, Coach of the Year, and the biggest award of the night—the Capitol Cup. The Capitol Cup competition is a season-long look at the Salem-area high schools—both public and private—and how they do in sports, cheer, band and academics; and

**WHEREAS**, Jerry Rice, the most accomplished wide receiver in the history of the National Football League and rated the number one player of all time by NFL Network will be the featured speaker.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Anna M. Peterson, Mayor of the City of Salem, Oregon do hereby proclaim June 7, 2016 as

## **Mid-Valley Sports Awards Day**

and encourage the residents of Salem to attend this very exciting new event honoring our city's student athletes.

**DATED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2016

Anna M. Peterson Mayor