

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the men and women in the Armed Forces of the United States have placed the security of our nation before their own safety, and America will be forever grateful for their service; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day is celebrated every year to collectively reflect on the memories of those who have served this country and to be reminded that freedom is never free; and

WHEREAS, we honor our fallen soldiers, our military personnel, and our veterans who continue to serve for the ideals of freedom, and we pay tribute to their personal sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, in Salem, Oregon, we are committed to honoring the memories of service members who perished in service to their country with reverence and gratitude; and

WHEREAS, each person who lost their life in service to his or her country was a loved one who was cherished by family and friends, and each death was a tremendous loss to the community, state, and nation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim May 25, 2020, as

MEMORIAL DAY 2020

and call upon all residents to reflect upon the service of our courageous men and women in uniform, and thank them for the ultimate sacrifice they have given to protect our freedoms and liberties.

DATED this eleventh day of May, 2020.



Chuck Bennett
Mayor