

# PROCLAMATION

West Linn, Oregon

**WHEREAS**, first responders dedicate their lives to public service, education, and the protection of life, property, and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, first responders include paramedics, firefighters, police officers, nurses, doctors, public works professionals, military personnel, volunteers, and countless others who are first on the scene in an emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Department of Homeland Security, 4.6 million career and volunteer first responders support the communities in which they live; and

**WHEREAS**, serving as a Day of Gratitude, we pay tribute to their endless hours and around-the-clock service provided to their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the day also pays tribute to fallen first responders; and

**WHEREAS**, often the very people serving our communities are our neighbors, friends, and family members and their families know the price they pay for the dedication to the job; and

**WHEREAS**, even though they are an integral part of our communities, their sacrifices go beyond the hours they work. They may face high stress and the trauma they see wears on them both mentally and physically; and

**WHEREAS**, the service, dedication and commitment of first responders deserves to be recognized and honored; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2017 the United States Congress designated that October 28th of each year would be proclaimed as National First Responders Day.

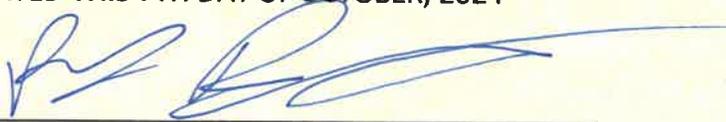
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LINN**, that October 28, 2024 is

## NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS DAY

in the City and we encourage all residents to join in this observance.



DATED THIS 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2024



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RORY BIALOSTOSKY, MAYOR

ATTEST:



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KATHY MOLLUSKY, CITY RECORDER