PROCLAMATION

"Oregon City - West Linn Rivalry Day"

Whereas, the Cities of Oregon City and West Linn wish to recognize the efforts of their citizens to create and maintain a positive family environment where children can learn the value of constructive competition; and

Whereas, the Cities of Oregon City and West Linn value tradition and history as essential parts of their communities; and

Whereas, Oregon City High School and West Linn High School, formerly known as Union High School, have competed valiantly in the sport of football continuously since 1921; and

Whereas, on October 3, 2008, the teams representing these schools will renew their annual rivalry for the 87th time; and

Whereas, this is the longest continuously-played rivalry west of the Mississippi and therefore worthy of recognition; and

Whereas, the City Commission of Oregon City desires that the Pioneers again defeat the Lions and the City Council of West Linn desires that the Lions again defeat the Pioneers;

Now Therefore, we, the City Commission of Oregon City and the City Council of West Linn, hereby recognize and commend all citizens who have participated in this annual gridiron classic, and support the efforts of the current teams by proclaiming October 3, 2008, to be "Oregon City-West Linn Rivalry Day." We further recommend, in the spirit of the day, that all citizens wear clothing of the appropriate colors, and refrain from crossing the bridge, unless business requires, until game time.

Alice Norris

The Honorable Alice Norris, Mayor
City of Oregon City

Norman B King

The Honorable Norman B. King, Mayor
City of West Linn

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