PROCLAMATION

HONORING THE FALLEN RESERVE POLICE OFFICER, ROBERT LIBKE, OF THE CITY OF OREGON CITY, AND EXTENDING SUPPORT TO OFFICER ROBERT LIBKE'S FAMILY AS THEY HEAL FROM THIS TERRIBLE TRAGEDY

Whereas, The City of Oregon City, Oregon has suffered an unfathomable loss with the recent murder of Reserve Officer, Robert Libke on November 3, 2013; and

Whereas, Fallen Officer Libke served the citizens of Oregon City as a most valuable public servant since 2009; and

Whereas, Officer Libke demonstrated his concern for the welfare and well-being of his community by his actions both in his private life and by his participation in numerous community activities and projects of both local and regional nature; and

Whereas, Officer Libke's service was given with such devotion that he earned the respect, admiration, and friendship of citizens of our community through his professional leadership and dedication; and

Whereas, the City of Oregon City is deeply indebted to Officer Libke for his service to our community; and

Whereas, Law Enforcement is an honorable, hard-working profession that diligently seeks to make our communities more livable and safe; and
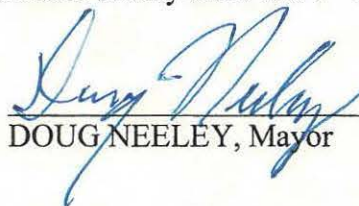
Whereas, There is no greater sacrifice an Officer can make for their community than to give their life; and

Whereas, The murder of a Police Officer shocks the very soul of a community, our Government, and the very freedoms the Officers have sworn to protect; and

Whereas, The impact of this tragedy upon the Officer's family, friends, department and community is immeasurable.

Now, Therefore, I, Doug Neeley, Mayor of Oregon City, along with the City Commission, and the Citizens of Oregon City, Oregon, extend heartfelt condolences to the family of Officer Robert Libke. We mourn the loss of Oregon City's valuable public servant, and pray for healing and hope in this time of need.

In Witness Whereof, I have re-read this proclamation today, May 7, 2014, originally read on November 6, 2013, and hereunto set my hand this 7th day of May 2014.

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DOUG NEELEY, Mayor