

# PROCLAMATION

In Observance of Veterans' Day which will be observed on November 11, 2014, Honoring Oregon City Employees and Citizens who are Veterans or are Currently Serving in the Military, Reserves or National Guard

Whereas, the freedoms we enjoy as Americans have been purchased and maintained at a high price throughout our history; and

Whereas, honorable service performed in the defense of our nation is the highest form of citizenship; and

Whereas, twenty-seven (28) Oregon City employees, which is approximately 20 percent of the City work force, are veterans or are current members of the Armed Forces; and

Whereas, the City of Oregon City is an Employer Supporter of the Guard and Reserve; and

Whereas, at the State level, approximately 30,700 Oregonians have served in Iraq and Afghanistan since 9/11; and

Whereas, over one thousand Oregonians remain deployed to Afghanistan, including a current Oregon City Police Officer; and

Whereas, one hundred forty-two (142) {Note: four more since last Veteran's Day} Oregon veterans have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts; and

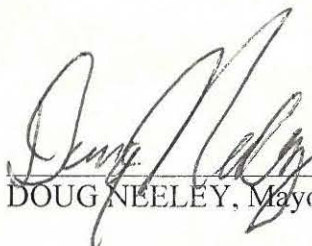
Whereas, in conjunction with Veterans Day observed on November 11, 2014, the City of Oregon City is proud to recognize the men and women who have served to protect our freedom; and

Whereas, our hearts and thoughts go out to the many killed in action or disabled while serving their country.

Now, Therefore, I, Doug Neeley, Mayor of the City of Oregon City, do call upon all employees and citizens to observe Veterans' Day with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have served to preserve the principles of Justice Freedom and Democracy.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 5th day of November 2014.



  
DOUG NEELEY, Mayor