

PROCLAMATION

- Whereas,** Brad Smith may be Oregon City's most recognized and most famous resident, and
- Whereas,** Brad Smith is one reason that 13,000 visitors came to Oregon City last summer alone, and
- Whereas,** Those visitors coming to Oregon City's summer basketball camps and tournaments for girls infused nearly \$1 million into our local economy! Brad and his colleague, Carl Tinsley, initiated the summer camps and tournaments that draw players, coaches, scouts and families from all over the United States, and
- Whereas,** Brad Smith has helped put Oregon City on the map for very positive reasons, and he was raised and educated in Oregon City, graduated from Oregon City High School, and is retiring from a long and successful teaching career in OC Schools, and
- Whereas,** Oregon City proudly named Brad Smith our 2007 Citizen of the Year, and
- Whereas,** Brad Smith is the winningest girl's basketball coach in Oregon history, was named National high school Coach of the Year by USA Today three times, named Oregon Coach of the Year six times, and led the Oregon City high school's girls basketball team to 3 national championships, 10 state titles, and 21 league championships, and
- Whereas,** it is fitting to honor Brad Smith not just because he coached winning teams, but because his work helped foster a new sense of pride in our community, gave us positive values to believe in, brought us together through dreams and possibilities, and is a role model who has laid the groundwork for the next generation of good citizens.

Now, therefore, I, Alice Norris, Mayor of the City of Oregon City, do declare that

Friday, February 8th

shall be called

Brad Smith Day

and I call upon all citizens, in honor of his long and distinguished teaching career just ended, to say thank you to a teacher, play a little basketball, send Brad Smith a thank you card (or happy retirement card), and vow to support programs for youth in Oregon City.





ALICE NORRIS, Mayor