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WHEREAS, the City of Oregon City, Oregon has suffered an unfathomable loss with the recent murder of its Reserve Police Officer, Robert Libke; and

WHEREAS, fallen Officer Robert Libke served the citizens of Oregon City as a most valuable public servant since 2009; and

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement is an honorable, hard-working profession that diligently seeks to make our communities more livable; 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, Gary H. Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Medford, along with the City Council, and the Citizens of Medford, Oregon, extend heartfelt condolences to the City of Oregon City, Oregon – its staff, the Officer's family and its citizens. We mourn the loss of Oregon City's valuable public servant, and pray for healing and hope in this time of need.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 7th day of November, 2013.

Gary H. Wheeler Mayor of Medford