

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** neighborhood associations have been active community partners in the Pacific Northwest for over 20 years; and
- WHEREAS,** neighborhood associations foster community spirit, identity and pride and share the richness of cultural and historical diversity; and
- WHEREAS,** neighborhood associations contribute to community achievements throughout Oregon and Washington by exchanging experiences, wisdom and triumphs; and
- WHEREAS,** neighborhood associations help protect our homes, streets, parks and businesses and offer guidance and assistance in times of personal and community crisis; and
- WHEREAS,** neighborhood associations include people of all ethnic, social and economic backgrounds who value the contributions of the elderly, youth and the challenged; and
- WHEREAS,** neighborhood associations are the grassroots of government, business, social and economic development, which support and hold accountable their elected officials, at the neighborhood, city, state and national levels; and
- WHEREAS,** neighborhood associations are in the business of building strong communities, and, once a year, neighbors from throughout the United States, come together to share ideas, experiences and activities that are making our cities and communities stronger, our families more resilient and our country safer and more humane.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DANIEL W. FOWLER, MAYOR OF OREGON CITY, do hereby proclaim May 17-24, 1998 as:

"NEIGHBORHOODS U.S.A. WEEK"

in Oregon City and urge all citizens to become actively involved in the activities of their neighborhood association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 6th day of May, 1998.



DANIEL W. FOWLER, Mayor