

C I T Y O F O R E G O N C I T Y

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, September 17, 1987, marks the two hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention which consisted of 39 men who established the world's first government of the people, by the people and for the people; and

WHEREAS, Today, the U.S. Constitution is the world's oldest written instrument of national government and is the cornerstone of the American republic, a symbol of our national ideals of freedom, justice and equal opportunity; and

WHEREAS, To accord official recognition to this memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic exercise that will form a noteworthy feature of the occasion, seems fitting and proper.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KENNETH M. MITCHELL, Mayor of the City of Oregon City, do hereby proclaim Thursday, September 17, 1987, as:

BELLS ACROSS AMERICA DAY

in Oregon City and invite every citizen and every institution -- from religious and educational to social, service and professional -- to join in the "Bells Across America -- A Ringing Tribute to the Constitution" by ringing bells, chimes and carillions to echo the sentiments of a grateful nation for 200 seconds.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of September, 1987.

Mayor