

WHEREAS, the Christmas Ships Parade is a 62 year-old tradition; and

**WHEREAS,** the Christmas Ships will sail to destinations on the Columbia and Willamette Rivers between December 2<sup>nd</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016; and

**WHEREAS,** the Christmas Ships will sail to Milwaukie Bay on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>h</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>h</sup>, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie's Winter Solstice and Christmas Ships Viewing event at Milwaukie Riverfront Park, featuring the Christmas Ships' combined Columbia and Willamette Fleets as they sail to-and-from George Rogers Park in Lake Oswego, will be held on Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mark Gamba, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim December 2<sup>nd</sup> through December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016, as **Christmas Ships Parade Days** in the *Dogwood City of the West*.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:

A Portland Tradition