

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, farmers markets are an integral part of Oregon's food system and agricultural economy; and

WHEREAS, the 130-plus farmers markets in Oregon are important sales outlets for farmers and food business owners, generating revenue that supports the sustainability of family farms and the revitalization of rural communities; and

WHEREAS, farmers markets provide citizens of all income levels with access to healthful, locally produced foods through the Milwaukie Farmers Market and over 70 other Oregon markets that accept supplemental nutritional assistance program (SNAP) benefits and other critical food access programs; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukie Farmers Market is celebrating 22 years as a cornerstone of our community, well-loved by customers, neighbors, and vendors alike; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the importance of expanding agricultural marketing opportunities that assist and encourage the next generation of farmers and ranchers; generate farm income to help stimulate business development and job creation; build community connections through rural and urban linkages; provide access to fresh healthy food for all of Oregon's citizens; and more.

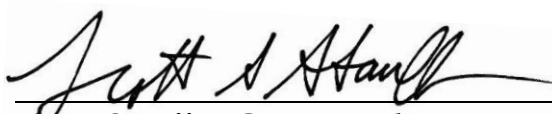
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Gamba, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, with the consent of the City Council do hereby proclaim the week of **August 2-8, 2020**, as **National Farmers Market Week**, in conjunction with National Farmers Market Week, and do call upon all Milwaukians to celebrate farmers markets with appropriate observance and activities.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 4th day of August 2020.



Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:



Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

