

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Milwaukie Community has embraced carbon and sustainability goals in the face of climate change, the most pressing threat for our planet; and

WHEREAS, The City of Milwaukie has formally adopted a Climate Action Plan and declared a climate emergency on January 21, 2020, accelerating the community's climate goals to better address the urgency of the climate crisis, and calling for net-zero emissions from electricity by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the City calls on energy utilities, the State, the Federal Government, private enterprise and Milwaukie community members to make and support unprecedented near-term investment in all forms of carbon-free renewable energy to help reach local and regional climate goals; and

**WHEREAS**, wind energy is the largest provider of carbon-free renewable energy in the country; and

WHEREAS, the wind industry is a major economic driver in towns and counties across Oregon, driving \$7.3 billion in total capital investments to date and providing \$25 million in annual lease payments to rural landowners in 2019 alone; and

WHEREAS, Oregon ranks tenth in the nation for installed wind capacity, and with continued investments in carbon-free energy, can continue to power local communities and businesses for years to come with a clean power source that meets Milwaukie's climate goals; and

**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 the week of **August 9-15**, **2020**, to be **American Wind Week** in Milwaukie, and encourage all community members to learn more about the benefits of wind energy in Milwaukie and celebrate Oregon's leadership in carbon-free energy production.

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

Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:

Scott Stauffer, City Recorder