

# PROCLAMATION

**Whereas,** alcohol use is linked to some of Clackamas County's most significant social problems including crime, homelessness, domestic violence, suicide and vehicle crashes; and

**Whereas,** youth are of particular risk as the use of alcohol can have long-term, irreversible effects on brain development; and

**Whereas,** in Clackamas County, over 47 percent of 11<sup>th</sup> grade students and over 27 percent of 8<sup>th</sup> grade students reported having at least one alcoholic drink within the past 30 days; and

**Whereas,** while the disease of alcoholism is serious; it is, however, treatable especially with early intervention; and

**Whereas,** Oregon City supports various public and private organizations whose mission includes the prevention of alcohol abuse; and

**Whereas,** Oregon City demonstrates this commitment by supporting organizations such as Clackamas County Safe Communities, Oregon City Community Education Driver Education, OCTogether Coalition, Celebrate My Drive and Oregon Impact who provide community education, prevention, and awareness activities to stop individuals from driving under the influence of intoxicants.

**Now, Therefore,** We, the City Commission of Oregon City, do hereby proclaim

The Month of October 2015

as

Teen Safe Driving Month

**And** encourage Oregon City citizens to be aware of, and join us in helping to prevent the enormous emotional and financial toll associated with alcohol abuse.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of October 2015.

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DAN HOLLADAY, Mayor

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CAROL PAULI, Commission  
President

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BRIAN SHAW, Commissioner

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ROCKY SMITH, JR, Commissioner

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RENATE MENGELBERG, Commissioner