## PROCLAMATION

In Observance of Veterans' Day which will be observed on November 11, 2016, Honoring Oregon City Employees and Citizens who are Veterans or are Currently Serving in the Military, Reserves or National Guard

- **Whereas**, the freedoms we enjoy as Americans have been purchased and maintained at a high price throughout our history; and
- Whereas, honorable service performed in the defense of our nation is the highest form of citizenship; and
- **Whereas**, twenty-seven (28) Oregon City employees, which is approximately 20 percent of the City work force, are veterans or are current members of the Armed Forces; and
- Whereas, the City of Oregon City is an Employer Supporter of the Guard and Reserve; and
- Whereas, at the State level, an estimated 52,000 Oregonians have served in Iraq and Afghanistan since 9/11; and
- Whereas, one hundred forty-two (142) Oregon veterans have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts; and
- Whereas, in conjunction with Veterans Day observed on November 11, 2016, the City of Oregon City is proud to recognize the men and women who have served to protect our freedom; and
- Whereas, our hearts and thoughts go out to the many killed in action or disabled while serving their country.

**Dow, Therefore, I, Daniel Holladay,** Mayor of the City of Oregon City, do call upon all employees and citizens to observe Veterans' Day with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have served to preserve the principles of Justice Freedom and Democracy.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 2nd day of November 2016.

## DAN HOLLADAY, Mayor