

PROCLAMATION

National Youth Service Days

WHEREAS, National Youth Service Days is an annual public awareness and education campaign that highlights the amazing contributions that young people make to their communities throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, the goals of National Youth Services Days are to mobilize youths to identify and address the needs of their communities through service, recruit the next generation of volunteers, and educate the public about the contributions young people make as community leaders throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, young people in the United States are volunteering more than has any generation in American history; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing contributions young people make to their communities throughout the year should be recognized and encouraged; and

WHEREAS, young people should be viewed as the hope not only of tomorrow, but of today, and should be valued for the inherent idealism, energy, creativity, and commitment that they employ in addressing the needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS, there is a fundamental and absolute correlation between youth service and lifelong adult volunteering and philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, through volunteer service and related learning opportunities, young people build character and learn valuable skills, including time management, teamwork, needs-assessment, and leadership, that are sought by employers; and

WHEREAS, young people will benefit greatly from expanded opportunities to engage in meaningful volunteer service;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Craig Dirksen, Mayor of Tigard, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim:

April 16 – 18, 2004 as

National Youth Service Days

in Tigard and encourage all citizens to recognize the contributions that youths make to our community.

Dated this 13th day of April 2004.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tigard to be affixed.

Attest:

Catherine Wheatley
City Recorder

C. Dirksen
Craig Dirksen, Mayor
City of Tigard

