

Proclamation

City of Tigard

Human Rights

WHEREAS, on December 10, 1948, the member States of the United Nations signed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and countries of different political, economic and social systems unanimously agreed on the fundamental rights that all people share solely on the basis of their common humanity; and

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration asserts recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice, and peace; and

WHEREAS, disregard for human rights have resulted in acts which have offended the conscience of mankind, and the advent of the world in which human beings shall enjoy freedom of speech and belief and freedom from fear and want has been proclaimed as the highest aspiration of the common people; and

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration is referred to as the primary definition of human rights standards and increasingly referred to as customary international law, which all countries should abide; and

WHEREAS, the primary responsibility to promote respect for these rights and freedoms lies with each individual in the City of Tigard, and each of us can play a major role in enhancing human rights; and

WHEREAS, the people of the City of Tigard reaffirm their faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person and in the equal rights of men and women and have determined to promote social progress and better standards of life;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT-WE, the City Council of the City of Tigard, Oregon do hereby proclaim

December 7 – 13, 2009 to be HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK, and

December 10, 2009 as HUMAN RIGHTS DAY,

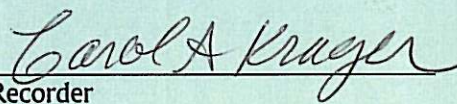
and we encourage our residents to study and promote the ideas contained in Universal Declaration of Human Rights to the end that freedom, justice, and equality will flourish and be made available to all.

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



Craig E. Dirksen, Mayor
City of Tigard

Attest:



Carol A. Kruger
City Recorder

