

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Eugene, Oregon

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** The United Nations approved the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on December 10, 1948; and
- WHEREAS:** The United States played a pivotal role in the creation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and
- WHEREAS:** The basic human rights addressed in the Universal Declaration include economic, social, and cultural rights, as well as civil and political rights, all considered to be equally important in fostering human dignity and freedom; and
- WHEREAS:** The Universal Declaration calls for all people and governments at all levels to promote and respect the rights that it recognizes, and provides a standard of achievement for governments throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS:** The commitment by the United States to these standards is essential to ensure equality and justice for all at home and abroad; and
- WHEREAS:** Eugene is striving to become a Human Rights City, a city in which the fundamental principles of the Universal Declaration inform and guide the daily lives of everyone in our community to the benefit of all; and
- WHEREAS:** In light of recent events in our country, as well as in the world, where refugees, immigrants and minorities have experienced a rash of hate crimes against them, the City of Eugene stands in defense of the human and civil rights of all its citizens; and
- WHEREAS:** December 10, 2019, is the 71st anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and this anniversary is being celebrated throughout this nation and in nations across the globe.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lucy Vinis, Mayor of the City of Eugene, Oregon, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2019, to be

“Human Rights Day”

In Eugene, Oregon, and encourage all people to work together in the coming year to achieve greater progress in respecting, protecting and fulfilling the full range of human rights contained in the Universal Declaration for all members of our community.



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December 10, 2019