

# Proclamation

## *Commending Buck Braden on His Service to Tualatin*

WHEREAS, Buck Braden has been a volunteer for the City of Tualatin for over 25 years, serving as a member of the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee, and in a leadership role as Committee Chair for many of those years; and

WHEREAS, Buck is an award-winning artist, with formal education that includes degrees in Art at the Bachelor's, Master's, and post-graduate levels. Buck's work has been shown and sold in exhibitions and galleries not only in the Pacific Northwest, but nationally and internationally. Buck also participates in several art organizations and currently serves as President of the Pacific Rim Institute of Marine Artists; and

WHEREAS, Buck has left a lasting impression on Tualatin. Through his role on the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee, Buck has generously and continuously offered his insight, guidance, advice, and hours upon hours of volunteer time to support the City's efforts to improve and expand Tualatin's public arts programs. Buck has provided continuity and historical context to the committee as Tualatin's public arts projects have grown; and

WHEREAS, Buck has played a leadership role in all of Tualatin's public arts programs including Tualatin Visual Chronicle, the ArtWalk, and ArtSplash, as well as acquisition of permanent artworks for the Tualatin Library, the bronze geese sculpture at Tualatin's main gateway, and the Lazy River sculpture. Buck has assisted with collection management by creating the first inventory of all of Tualatin's public artworks, now including nearly 300 pieces; and

WHEREAS, Buck has worked closely with committee members, local artists, and staff in a collaborative and inclusive manner with an eye toward accomplishing objectives. He has presented numerous annual reports to the Tualatin City Council and worked with Council members as they have served on the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee. Buck has advised staff, and his gentle manner has always been effective and appreciated; and

WHEREAS, through every interaction Buck demonstrated the highest levels of professionalism, collaboration, and dedication to the arts; he will be greatly missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUALATIN, Oregon that: Buck Braden is thanked, commended, and applauded for his service and significant contributions to the City of Tualatin.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of March, 2022.

CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
City Recorder