

Proclamation

Declaring March 1, 2021 as COVID-19 Memorial Day

WHEREAS, COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) is an illness caused by a virus that can transmit from person to person and has spread across the world, creating a global pandemic that is having catastrophic effects on human life, our community, and our economy; and

WHEREAS, to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, observance of public health orders to social distance and stay at home have created challenges for small businesses, workers, and schools which are working to comply with limited resources; and

WHEREAS, local and state governments, health departments, and public servants have taken bold actions to protect residents, support struggling local economies, and find innovative ways to provide services; and

WHEREAS, in response to the rapid spread of COVID-19 and stay-at-home orders, essential workers have stepped up to provide critical services to help protect our communities and save lives, sacrificing their own health and safety; and

WHEREAS, more than 2.4 million people worldwide and 485,000 in the United States have lost their lives due to COVID-19, and, in Oregon alone, more than 2,137 lives have been lost to this deadly virus. Each life lost to COVID-19 mattered and leaves a hole in the hearts of loved ones, family members, and the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, public health guidance and policies targeted at prevention, such as social distancing, wearing masks in public, and staying home help mitigate the spread of COVID-19, prevent illness, and lessen the burden on individuals and society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUALATIN, Oregon that:

March 1, 2021 is designated as COVID-19 Memorial Day in remembrance of those who have lost their lives and in honor of those who continue to suffer from the impact of this virus.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of February, 2021.

CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON

BY _____
Mayor

ATTEST:

BY _____
City Recorder