

Whereas, Harry Lane served as Portland's Mayor from 1905 through 1909; and

Whereas, prior to serving as Mayor, Harry Lane was a physician and advocate for public health, treating many Portlanders without charge and working for clean water, pure food and disease prevention; and

Whereas, Harry Lane was a supporter of women's rights and appointed a woman, Esther Pohl Lovejoy, as Portland's first city health officer, and also appointed one of the first female police officers in the nation, Lola G. Baldwin; and

Whereas, Harry Lane battled machine politics and was unafraid to challenge corrupt business practices wherever he found them; and

Whereas, Harry Lane was a man of vision who called for a "permanent rose carnival to be held annually during the summer season" and is thus known as the Father of the Rose Festival; and

Whereas, Harry Lane began the fund raising for the Rose Festival with a \$100 contribution of his own money, encouraging others to give because "they would be aiding to maintain a permanent exposition which would attract thousands every year to our city and would be the greatest advertisement for Portland;" and

Whereas, in 2007 during its Centennial Celebration, the Portland Rose Festival re-created Mayor Harry Lane as a character in the Rose Festival Living History Program; and

Whereas, for ten years Mayor Harry Lane has been portrayed by David Rianda, a Portlander with a deep appreciation for Harry Lane's heritage who has taken his story to thousands of students and adults in the Portland area; and

Whereas, Harry Lane passed away a hundred years ago on May 23, 1917, and is buried in Portland's Lone Fir Cemetery; and

Whereas, the City of Portland desires to collaborate with the Portland Rose Festival, Portland's Official Festival, to honor the legacy of Harry Lane;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ted Wheeler, Mayor of Portland, do hereby recognize May 23, 2017, as:

"Mayor Harry Lane Day"

and invite citizens to celebrate the life of Portland's 35th Mayor.

TED WHEELER, MAYOR

Recognize May 23, 2017 to be Mayor Harry Lane Day in Portland
(Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish)

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Auditor of the City of Portland

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| 2. Fish | | |
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