

Whereas, the Portland Gay Men's Chorus was founded in 1980, and has been an outstanding part of the city's performing arts and LGBTQ communities for the past 38 years; and

Whereas, the Portland Gay Men's Chorus aspires to expand, redefine and perfect the choral art through eclectic performances that honor and uplift our community; and

Whereas, the members of the Portland Gay Men's Chorus, through their performances and dedication to excellence in music, reflect a positive image of the LGBTQ community, and promote understanding and acceptance; and

Whereas, the members of the Portland Gay Men's Chorus serve as arts and culture ambassadors for the City of Portland, by traveling around the nation and the world, and affirming the power of inclusion, diversity, and worth of all people; and

Whereas, this fall, the Portland Gay Men's Chorus will become the first gay chorus to tour and perform in the People's Republic of China, with concerts in Beijing, Xi'an, Shanghai and our own sister city, Suzhou; and

the City of Portland is proud to support and celebrate the Portland Gay Men's Chorus, and to extend our best wishes for a successful tour and thirty-ninth season;

Now, therefore I, Ted Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim Thursday, August 30th, 2018, to be

Portland Gay Men's Chorus Day

in Portland and encourage all residents to observe this day.

Proclaim August 30th to be Portland Gay Men's Chorus Day (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish)

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