

Whereas

Whereas, Blindness or visual impairment affects persons from infancy through old age; and

Whereas, People who are blind or visually impaired enjoy all of the rights, benefits and privileges of living, working, playing and traveling in this Great city of Portland; and

Whereas, White canes and guide dogs are tools that people who are blind or visually impaired use to identify themselves and to travel independently while enjoying these rights, benefits and privileges; and

Whereas, People of all ages who are blind or visually impaired have the right to travel safely while conducting their business of living; and

Whereas, October 15th has been designated as a day of education and celebration of the advent of white canes and guide dogs for independent and safe travel; and

Whereas, This great city of Portland calls upon public officials, members of civic organizations and all people in the city of Portland to join together as we work to ensure the benefits and privileges of life in our Great city are available to persons who are blind or visually impaired;

Now, therefore, Ted Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses" do hereby proclaim October 15th, 2020 to be

White Cane Safety Day

In Portland and encourage all residents to observe this day



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Proclaim October 15th, 2020 White Cane Safety Day
(Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler)

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