

Whereas

Whereas, over 33,000 Nisei (second-generation Japanese Americans) served with honor in the United States military during World War II; and

Whereas, as described in the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, "race prejudice, war hysteria, and a failure of political leadership" led to over 120,000 Japanese Americans being forced from their homes in west-coast states and incarcerated in ten "internment camps" and relocation centers including the Pacific International Livestock Exposition Center (now the Portland Expo Center); and

Whereas, these Americans served in the famed 100th Battalion/442nd Regimental Combat Team in Europe, which became to this day, the most decorated unit in U.S. military history for their size and length of service; and

Whereas, Nisei also served in the United States Army's Military Intelligence Service (MIS) as military linguists in the war with Japan in the Pacific Theater; and

Whereas, Japanese American World War II Nisei soldiers, including those from Portland, were awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in 2011 for their exemplary service and patriotism; and

Whereas, the United States Postal Service is issuing a commemorative "Go For Broke Soldiers" stamp that would tell the inspiring story of the patriotic service of Japanese Americans during World War II.

Now, therefore, I, Ted Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim June 3, 2021 to be

Go For Broke Day

In Portland and encourage all residents to observe this day.

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(Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler)

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Commissioners voted as follows (Yea or Nay)

Rubio -
Ryan -
Hardesty -
Mapps -
Wheeler -