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Proclamation

Proclaim June 2023 to be the 40th Anniversary of the 40 Mile Loop

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Whereas, at the request of the 40 Mile Loop Land Trust, the 40 Mile Loop Master Plan was developed by David Evans & Associates 40 years ago and was published in May, 1983; and

Whereas, the 40 Mile Loop Master Plan called for the development of a system of trails and pathways throughout Multnomah County, connecting parks, natural areas, commercial and employment centers, and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, the rebirth of the idea for an interconnected system of trails and pathways has served the citizens well by providing convenient and safe places for people to walk and bicycle separated from traffic; and

Whereas, even though the Master Plan calls for over 140 miles of trails and pathways, the name 40 Mile Loop is derived from and honors a vision of interconnected parks articulated 80 years earlier by renowned landscape architect John Charles Olmsted and as subsequently interpreted by Portland Parks Superintendent Charles Paul Keyser; and

Whereas, the 40 Mile Loop has inspired an expanded vision of a regional system of trails and pathways connecting all cities in the Portland Vancouver metropolitan area and beyond; and

Whereas, the 40 Mile Loop acknowledges and thanks local governments and non-profit partners, including The City of Portland and Portland Parks & Recreation, for their willingness to adopt trail and path alignments called for by the 40 Mile Loop Master Plan, for their commitment to design, fund, and construct segments of the 40 Mile Loop, and for their ongoing commitment to maintain this incredibly valuable public asset for all to use and enjoy; and

Whereas, at this 40th anniversary of the 40 Mile Loop Master Plan, we call upon all of our local government partners to recommit to the completion of the 40 Mile Loop which stands today at 70% completed.

Introduced by

[Mayor Ted Wheeler;](#)
[Commissioner Dan Ryan](#)

Bureau

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Requested Agenda Type

Time Certain

Date and Time Information

Requested Council Date

June 14, 2023

Requested Start Time

9:45 am

Time Requested


20 minutes

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in Portland and recognize that the 40 Mile Loop and the Regional Trail System are integral parts of a safe, healthy, and sustainable urban ecosystem for all community members and visitors to enjoy.

Documents and Exhibits

 [Proclamation](https://www.portland.gov/sites/default/files/council-documents/2023/40-mile-loop-proclamation-2023.pdf) (https://www.portland.gov/sites/default/files/council-documents/2023/40-mile-loop-proclamation-2023.pdf) 128.21 KB

Budget Office Financial Impact Analysis

No fiscal impact.

Agenda Items

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