

RESOLUTION No. 36888

Recognize Oregon's sixth Poet Laureate, Paulann Peterson, for her dedication to the teaching of poetry and art (Resolution)

WHEREAS, the position of Oregon Poet Laureate was established by the Governor of Oregon on April 23, 1923 and adopted by the Oregon Legislature in 1989, and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Poet Laureate program functions as a collaboration between Oregon Humanities, Oregon Arts Commission, Oregon Heritage Commission, Oregon Historical Society, and the State Historic Preservation Office, with funding from the Oregon Cultural Trust, and

WHEREAS, the Poet Laureate promotes art and culture through poetry and words, and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2010, Governor Ted Kulongoski appointed Paulann Petersen as Oregon's sixth Poet Laureate, and

WHEREAS, Paulann Petersen was born in Portland, graduated from Franklin High School, and calls Portland home, and

WHEREAS, Paulann Petersen is a widely published poet, her body of work including five collections and several chapbooks, and

WHEREAS, Paulann Petersen was awarded the title of World Service Queen in 1960 by Mayor Terry Schruck and given a key to the City, and

WHEREAS, Paulann Petersen has been the recipient of many awards, including Stanford University's Wallace Stegner Fellowship in Poetry and the Stewart Holbrook Award for Outstanding Contributions to Oregon's Literary Life in 2006, and

WHEREAS, her belief that poetry is for everyone has inspired Paulann Petersen to teach poetry workshops across the state, and

WHEREAS, many Oregonians do not have access to or experience with poetry, and

WHEREAS, Paulann has traveled 12,553 miles across the State of Oregon to read and teach poetry, and

WHEREAS, in her tenure as Poet Laureate, Paulann has presided over 155 poetry readings and other events in 54 cities and as many libraries, dozens of which have taken place in the City of Portland, and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland and its citizens are grateful for the contributions of Paulann Petersen, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Portland affirms its support for the work of Oregon's sixth Poet Laureate, Paulann Petersen, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Portland recognizes November 30, 2011 as Oregon Poet Laureate Paulann Petersen Day.

Adopted by the Council: **NOV 30 2011**

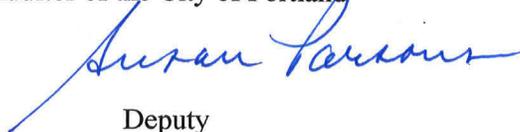
Commissioner Randy Leonard

Sara Petrocine :sp
November 17, 2011

LaVonne Griffin-Valade

Auditor of the City of Portland

By:


Deputy

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	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland
NOTED BY COMMISSIONER	
Mayor—Finance and Administration	By: <u><i>Susan Parsons</i></u> Deputy
Position 1—Utilities	
Position 2—Works	
Position 3—Affairs	ACTION TAKEN:
Position 4—Safety <u><i>Handled</i></u>	
BUREAU APPROVAL	
Bureau: Commissioner Leonard	
Prepared by: Sara Petrocine Date Prepared: 11/17/11	
Financial Impact Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes," requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Council Meeting Date 11/30/11	
Bureau Head: Commissioner Leonard	

AGENDA		FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
			YEAS	NAYS
Consent	Regular	1. Fritz	✓	
NOTED BY		2. Fish	✓	
City Attorney		3. Saltzman	✓	
		4. Leonard	✓	
		Adams	✓	