

Whereas, Oliver P. Lent purchased a 190-acre farmstead just outside of the Portland city limits that later became the site of the present day Lents Community; and

Whereas, Mr. Lent was very involved and contributed much to his church and community, including serving as Justice of the Peace, Road Supervisor, and as master of the Grange; and

Whereas, Mr. Lent was also a leader in business, even operating a sawmill on Johnson Creek near S.E. 92nd Avenue that gave employment to many early settlers; and

Whereas, Mr. Lent also had deep feelings for education and donated land opposite his home as the site for one of the first Lents schools, a one-room hewed log cabin, where he was the school director and later was clerk of the school board; and

Whereas, the official town of Lent, Oregon was registered in 1892 and voted to be annexed by the City of Portland but a score of years later; and

Whereas, Lents remains one of Portland's largest and most diverse neighborhoods and continues to celebrate its diversity and founders by hosting an annual Founders Day Parade and Street Fair on the final Sunday of the month of July;

Now, Therefore, I, Charlie Hales, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim Sunday, July 26, 2015 to be

Oliver P. Lent Day

in Portland, and encourage all residents to learn more about this neighborhood's rich history at the Founders Day Parade and Lents Street Fair.

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Proclaim July 26, 2015 to be Oliver P. Lent Day in Portland (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Hales and Commissioner Saltzman)

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