WHEREAS: The AARP and World Health Organization (WHO) Network of Age-Friendly Communities and States seeks to encourage and promote public policies to increase the number of cities and communities that support healthy aging by improving the health, well-being, satisfaction, and quality of life for people of all ages; and

WHEREAS: The State of Oregon, is one of the fastest aging states in the West; and

WHEREAS: Aging is a lifelong process, and an age-friendly community is friendly for people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS: Portland, Sisters, Newberg, Salem, Talent, Springfield, and Multnomah County already promote age-friendly initiatives; and

WHEREAS: Making cities and communities age-friendly is one of the most effective policy approaches for responding to changing demographics; and

WHEREAS: As the Governor of Oregon, I support initiatives and opportunities for communities to engage in the National Network of Age-Friendly Communities and States through AARP and other organizations; and

WHEREAS: Today, I proclaim that in the best interest of people of all ages, Oregonians engage in making their communities age-friendly and mapping out a path to help Oregon become an age-friendly state in 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim June 3, 2019 to be AGE-FRIENDLY OREGON DAY

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, May 21, 2019.

Kate Brown, Governor

Bev Clarno, Secretary of State