PROCLAMATION WHEREAS, the annual offering of Poppies by the American Legion Posts and the American Legion Auxiliaries and Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliaries of the United States have been officially recognized and endorsed by governmental leaders since 1922, and WHEREAS, Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled veterans, and the proceeds of this worthy fund-raising campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of disabled veterans, and WHEREAS, the basic purpose of offering the Poppies by the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars is eloquently reflected in the desire to "Honor the Dead by Helping the Living", therefore I, Betty Roppe, Mayor of the City of Prineville, proclaim **POPPY DAYS** May 12th and 13th Distributed by the American Legion Post 29 & Auxiliary May 24th and 25th Distributed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1412 and Auxiliary and hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing generously to the support of Poppies on the days set aside for this distribution of these symbols of appreciation for the sacrifices of our honored dead. I urge all patriotic citizens to wear a Poppy as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men and women of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedoms, which we continue to enjoy as American citizens. I, Betty Roppe, Mayor of the City of Prineville hereto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Prineville to be affixed this 9th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen. Betty Roppe, Mayor (5)