CITY OF SCAPPOOSE PROCLAMATION

Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week

WHEREAS, Congenital Heart Defects are the most frequently occurring birth defect and the leading cause of birth related deaths worldwide; and

WHEREAS, over a million families across America are facing the challenges and hardships of raising children with Congenital Heart Defects; and

WHEREAS, some Congenital Heart Defects are not diagnosed until months or years after birth; and

WHEREAS, undiagnosed Congenital Heart conditions cause many cases of sudden cardiac death in young athletes; and

WHEREAS, despite these statistics, newborns and young athletes are not routinely screened for Congenital Heart Defects; and

WHEREAS, a disproportionately small amount of funding is available for Congenital Heart Defect research and support; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week will provide the opportunity to share experience and information with the public and the media, in order to raise public awareness about Congenital Heart Defects:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Burge, Mayor of Scappoose, do hereby proclaim February 7 – 14, 2013 as

"CONGENITAL HEART DEFECT AWARENESS WEEK"

in the City of Scappoose and commend its observance to all citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Scappoose, to be affixed. Done at City Hall in the City of Scappoose, Oregon, on this 4th day of February, 2013.

CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, OREGON

Burge

Scott Burge. Mavo Attest:

Susan M. Reeves, MMC, City Recorder