



## PROCLAMATION

***RECOGNIZING POLICE CANINE AKAY FOR HIS DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF NEWBERG AS A MEMBER OF THE NEWBERG-DUNDEE POLICE DEPARTMENT***

***WHEREAS***, Akay became a member of the Newberg-Dundee Police Department in January 2003; and

***WHEREAS***, Akay earned the designation of an Oregon Police Canine Association certified police canine tracking dog; and

***WHEREAS***, Akay is responsible for over fifty-five (55) suspect apprehensions and the locating of items of evidence; and

***WHEREAS***, Akay has won eight (8) awards in competition at the Washington County K9 Trials, two (2) of those being for handler protection; and

***WHEREAS***, Akay has given uncompromising dedication to his handler of five (5) years, Officer Chris Powell, and his handler of two and one-half years (2.5) years, Sr. Officer Steve Schoening; and

***WHEREAS***, due to Akay's age and work he has developed arthritis and bone spurs making it difficult for him to meet the demands of a police canine; and

***WHEREAS***, Akay retired from the Newberg-Dundee Police Department on July 5, 2010.

***NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED*** by Mayor Bob Andrews and the City Council of the City of Newberg, Oregon, that the citizens of Newberg express their warm appreciation and gratitude to ***Police Canine Akay*** for his seven and one-half (7.5) years of dedicated service as a Police Canine for the City of Newberg and its citizens.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Newberg to be affixed on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

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Bob Andrews, Mayor