

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Eugene, Oregon
PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: All citizens want and deserve the opportunity to safely and meaningfully participate in every aspect of community life, including recreation, education, work, social, and civic functions; and

WHEREAS: Our communities can grow closer through education, awareness, understanding and *seeing* one another, and benefit from recognizing each other's abilities, commonalities, and differences; and

WHEREAS: Our communities acquire value as they become more aware of the capabilities of individuals with developmental disabilities, and provide opportunities for them to be part of their communities; and

WHEREAS: It is in the public's interest to offer individuals with developmental disabilities an opportunity to live and work in our communities, exercising their full rights and responsibilities as citizens; and

WHEREAS: Individuals with developmental disabilities are often overlooked, ignored, and excluded,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kitty Piercy, Mayor of the City of Eugene, Oregon, do hereby proclaim Sunday, August 15, 2010, through Saturday, August 21, 2010, as

"Look Me in the Eye Week"

in Eugene, and encourage all citizens to participate in *seeing* one another.



Kitty Piercy

Kitty Piercy, Mayor

July 14, 2010