

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: There are currently over 100 farmers' markets operating in Oregon. Ninety of the markets are members of the Oregon Farmers' Markets Association (OFMA), which supports and promotes farmers markets; and

WHEREAS: The increase in number of farmers markets in Oregon has more than doubled in the past 10 years; and

WHEREAS: Farmers markets provide more than 1,000 Oregon small, family-owned farms with a substantive income, and provide fresh produce to more than 100,000 customers each week during the market season; and

WHEREAS: Farmers markets connect Oregon farmers directly with urban citizens and build community spirit; and

WHEREAS: Oregon farmers markets provide a venue for shoppers to learn about healthy fresh foods and support low income shoppers through the WIC and Senior Farm Direct Nutrition programs.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **August 1 – 8, 2010** to be

FARMERS MARKET WEEK

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, July 13, 2010.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Kate Brown
Kate Brown, Secretary of State