

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Mount Angel was settled by frugal, hard-working German-American pioneers beginning in 1867; and
- WHEREAS:** These early settlers set aside a time in the fall to give thanks to the Creator for Oregon's bountiful harvest with community celebrations; and
- WHEREAS:** The citizens of Mount Angel have continued the tradition of their ancestors with the Mount Angel Oktoberfest, contributing greatly to Oregon's rich and diverse cultural heritage; and
- WHEREAS:** Mount Angel attracts 7,500 volunteers from across the Willamette Valley to assist in operating the Oktoberfest making it the largest all-volunteer led event in the State of Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** Oktoberfest in distributing its excess revenue each year and by sponsoring non-profit food booths is a major source of funding for many charitable and civic organizations in the region; and
- WHEREAS:** Visitors come to Oktoberfest from Oregon, the Pacific Northwest and from around the world to celebrate with the community, making Oktoberfest in Mount Angel one of the largest public tourist events in Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** Oktoberfest provides a major economic impact for Mount Angel, the surrounding communities and the State of Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** The celebration of Oktoberfest in Mount Angel is recognized as a "World Class Festival" bringing great prestige to the State of Oregon.
- NOW,
THEREFORE:** I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **September 16 – 19, 2010**

OKTOBERFEST TIME

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 20, 2010.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Kate Brown
Kate Brown, Secretary of State