

PROCLAMATION
Declaring May 4-10, 2008
North American Occupational Safety & Health Week

WHEREAS more than 5700 people die from job-related injuries and 4.4 million more suffer occupational injuries and illnesses each year in the United States; and

WHEREAS businesses spend \$170 billion a year on costs associated with occupational injuries and illnesses – costs that take away from company profits; and

WHEREAS every day, millions of people go to and return home from work safely due to the efforts of occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners -- who work day in and day out identifying hazards and implementing safety and health advances in workplaces; and

WHEREAS these practitioners work to prevent accidents, injuries, and occupational diseases, create safer work and leisure environments, develop safer products and are committed to protecting people, property and the environment; and

WHEREAS the more than 31,000 members of the American Society of Safety Engineers are occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners committed to protecting people, property and the environment; and

WHEREAS during the week of may 4-10, 2008 north American Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH), American Society of Safety Engineers members and partners will be mobilizing in an effort to increase employers', employees; and the general public's understanding of the benefits of investing in occupational safety and health; to raise the awareness of the role and contribution of safety, health and environmental professionals; encouraging safe practices.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Charlotte Lehan, Mayor of Wilsonville, Oregon, do hereby proclaim May 4-10, 2008 to be North American Occupational Safety and Health Week and May 7, 2008 to be Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charlotte Lehan".

Charlotte Lehan, Mayor
City of Wilsonville
Dated: May 5, 2008