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*Whereas*, nearly 6000 people die from job-related injuries and 4.4 million more suffer occupational injuries and illnesses yearly in the U.S.; and businesses spend \$170 billion a year on costs related to work injuries, health care and illnesses; and

*Whereas*, each day millions of people go to and return home from work safely due, in part, to the efforts of occupational safety, health and environmental professionals and it has been found that incorporating safety as a core value in a corporation not only increases workplace safety, but leads to major cost savings, projects being completed early and often under budget, quality products, and much more; and

*Whereas*, it is imperative that employers, employees, and the public be aware of the importance of preventing illness and injury in the workplace and the more than 32,000 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 2-8, 2010 North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) Week, the American Society of Safety Engineers members and corporate/association partners will mobilize countrywide in an effort to increase employers', employees' and the public's understanding of the importance of occupational safety and health; and the theme of the week is "Safety Means Always Coming Home"; and

*Whereas*, on May 5 Occupational Safety and Health Professionals will be recognized during the fourth annual Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day;

*Now, therefore*, I, Sam Adams, Mayor of Portland, Oregon, hereby proclaim May 2-8, 2010 to be

*North American Occupational Safety And Health Week*

And May 5<sup>TH</sup> to be

*Occupational Safety And Health Professional Day*

in Portland, Oregon and encourage all residents to join in this observance.

