

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
STATE OF OREGON



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** Oregon's beer production grew at a rate of nearly 16 percent in 2005, as the state's craft brewers produced the equivalent of more than 226 million bottles of beer, with the total beer industry in Oregon pumping more than \$2.25 billion into the state's economy; and
- WHEREAS:** 39 percent of all draft beer and 11 percent of all beer consumed in Oregon is Oregon-brewed craft beer, the highest percentage of local craft beer consumption in the country; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregon's healthy craft brewing industry is good for the state, providing family wage jobs, attracting tourists and promoting our agricultural products, such as hops and barley; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregon is home to 80 brewing facilities, which employ 3,800 workers; the city of Portland alone boasts 30 breweries, more than any other city in the world; and
- WHEREAS:** The month of July 2006 will feature a month-long celebration of craft beer by Oregon's specialty breweries with brewers dinners, brewers festivals, brewery tours and golf tournaments taking place throughout the state, culminating with the nineteenth annual Oregon Brewers Festival July 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 on the banks of Gov. Tom McCall Waterfront Park in beautiful downtown Portland, Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** The Oregon Brewers Festival is a true reflection on the immense popularity of North American craft brewing, and celebrates the industry by featuring 72 quality craft breweries from 14 states showcasing their products to more than 50,000 beer aficionados.

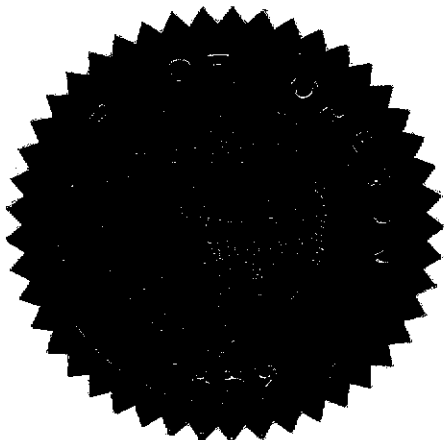
**NOW,**

**THEREFORE:** I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **July 2006** to be

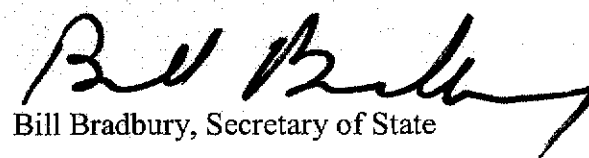
**OREGON CRAFT BEER MONTH**

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, May 19, 2006.



  
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

  
Bill Bradbury, Secretary of State