

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: AmeriCorps provides opportunities for nearly 75,000 people annually to help communities tackle their toughest challenges through an intensive commitment to service at nonprofits, schools, public agencies, and community and faith-based groups all across the country; and

WHEREAS: In the 2020-21 program year in Oregon, more than 4,000 AmeriCorps members and volunteers of various ages and backgrounds helped to meet local needs at more than 536 locations in the state by mentoring children and youth, restoring the environment, connecting veterans to services, preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, addressing racial injustices, and supporting communities recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS: In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members and volunteers develop valuable work skills, earn money for education, and strengthen communities, and since AmeriCorps was founded in 1994, more than 20,000 Oregon residents have served more than 27 million hours; and

WHEREAS: AmeriCorps Week is an opportunity to recognize the dedication and commitment of those who have chosen to serve their community through AmeriCorps and to encourage others to follow their footsteps in service.

**NOW,
THEREFORE:** I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **March 13-19, 2022** to be

AmeriCorps 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, March 2, 2022.



Kate Brown

Kate Brown, Governor

Shemia Fagan

Shemia Fagan, Secretary of State