



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** after a two-year pandemic delay, the City of Redmond recently enjoyed another successful edition of the long-running annual tradition of Derby Days and would like to thank the many people and organizations who made it possible; and
- WHEREAS,** this beloved community event in Redmond kicked off in 1939 to help raise money for downtown holiday decorations and school athletic equipment.
- WHEREAS,** this year's theme of Derby Days was environmental sustainability. Several environmental-friendly components of the event included food vendors using 100% compostable service ware, recycling and composting, an emissions-free grand parade, and water bottle refill stations among many other activities; and
- WHEREAS,** residents were treated to the region's first unique and one-of-a-kind community drone light show. Aided by the leadership of Redmond's Council President Jessica Forsythe, who first raised the idea and pulled off by the talents of Verge Aero with an assist from Paul Dietz of The Animatronics Workshop; and
- WHEREAS,** Redmond invests in artists by hosting over 50 regional artisans in a brand-new Craft Marketplace curated by Urban Craft Uprising. Redmond also celebrates and represents our diverse community through music and dance on both the kids and main stages, curated by Artist Home, including highlighting youth on the main stage for the ROCK-A-THON: Teen Battle of the Bands organized by The Old Firehouse Teen Center; and
- WHEREAS,** Redmond continues to honor Derby Day's legacy as a bike centered event by partnering with the Jerry Baker Memorial Velodrome at Marymoor Park; and
- WHEREAS,** a community event requires loyal, committed sponsors, and without them none of this would have been possible, so we would like to thank Amazon, BECU, Cascade Water Alliance, Experience Redmond, Jerry Baker Memorial Velodrome, Joe's Garage Coffee, Landmark Roofing, Microsoft, Nicole Lamphier State Farm Insurance, Sotheby's International Realty, Sound Transit, South West Plumbing, and Waste Management.
- WHEREAS,** City of Redmond staff worked long and hard in planning and successfully executing this event. A huge debt of gratitude is owed to all who worked to make Derby Days a smooth and positive experience for all who attended; and

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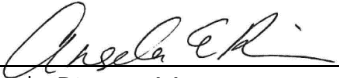
**Connected Community
Enhanced Livability
Environmental Sustainability**

WHEREAS, last but certainly not least, we would like to thank the Redmond community who showed up in huge numbers, volunteered, and made this event a great success. Thank you for supporting your city and this wonderful community event.

THEREFORE, I, ANGELA BIRNEY, Mayor of the City of Redmond, do hereby proclaim July 19, 2022 as,

DERBY DAYS APPRECIATION DAY

In Redmond, and I thank all who were involved in making this event special for our residents and visitors.



Angela Birney, Mayor

July 19, 2022

Date

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