WHEREAS, community leader and dedicated volunteer Steve Weiss marked his 70th birthday on January 17th; and

WHEREAS, Steve serves as Board President for the Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens, Community Alliance of Tenants, and Independent Living Resources, and is actively involved with groups ranging from the Poverty Action Council to the Oregon Consumer League; and

WHEREAS, he has been a member of the Elders in Action Commission for more than 10 years and has served as Commission Chair for two years, working to improve quality of life for older adults and people with disabilities in our community; and

WHEREAS, Steve has previously served as Board Chair for Home Forward’s 504 Disability Advisory Board and as Board President for the Oregon Advocacy Center and the Mental Health Association of Portland; and

WHEREAS, he received the 2007 Oregon Governor’s Volunteer Award and is a five-time recipient of the Multnomah County Volunteer Award; and

WHEREAS, Portland’s greatest strength is its active and engaged citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Steve embodies the very best of this civic spirit and inspires us all with his steadfast advocacy on behalf of older adults, people with disabilities, and low-income Oregonians;

NOW, therefore, I, Charlie Hales, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the “City of Roses,” do hereby proclaim February 23, 2013 to be

A Day of Recognition for Steve Weiss in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this day.

Charlie Hales