Whereas,  We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution is a nationally-recognized civic education program and competition; and

Whereas,  the competition encourages students to display civic knowledge, skills, and dispositions; and

Whereas,  the Classroom Law Project, administrator of the Oregon We the People program since 1987, plays a leadership role preparing youth to become active and engaged participants in our democratic society; and

Whereas,  the Grant High School Constitution Team placed first in the state We the People competition on January 19, 2013, advancing to the national competition held in Washington, D.C.; and

Whereas,  the Grant Team placed first among fifty-six of the nation’s best high school teams in the We the People National Finals on April 29, 2013; and

Whereas,  the Grant Team’s success brings honor and distinction to Portland Public Schools, the city of Portland, and the state of Oregon; and

Whereas,  the Grant Team has been supported by Grant High School Principal Vivian Orlen, Constitution Team Coach Tim Volpert, teacher David Lickey, community coaches Shelley Larkin, Honorable Henry Breithaupt, Mike Greenlick, James Westwood, Mike Curtis, Andrea Short, Al Karpinski, John Stephens, Harrison Latto, and Larry Burke, family members, and friends; and

Whereas,  the Grant High School Constitution Team includes the following students: Leah Alpern, Claire Eldredge-Burns, Dylan Tingley, Nina Greene, Jacob Sutter, Jake Stein-Ross, Kendall Wynde, Kathleen Kohl, Lauren Meininger, Jane Crabtree, Anna Lear, Emily Turner, Gaelen Snell, Mac Larsen, Miriam Kohn, Alan Chan, Madeleine Kaczmarowski, Ada Harris, Austin Shaff, Nate Grein, Anayeli Nieves-Alvez, Emily Olson, James Knudsen, Morgan Grover, Annelies Cowan, Daniel Thatcher, Grace Williams, Ricky Rojas-Echenique, Adam Penrose, Halley Steiner, Parkes Kendrick, Ella Ben-Zaken, Mariah Shriner, and Simon Swifter;

Now, Therefore,  I, Charlie Hales, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim May 29, 2013 to be a day of recognition for

Grant High School's 2013 Constitution Team

In Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this day.

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