Whereas, the city of Portland is proud to be home to the Portland Timbers and the Portland Thorns, our professional soccer teams; and

Whereas, the Timbers and Thorns are committed to giving back to our community; and

Whereas, the City of Portland is proud to partner with the Timbers and Thorns in organizing “Stand Together,” a week of community service from August 4 through August 10, 2013; and

Whereas, close to 1,000 Stand Together volunteers including Timbers and Thorns players, the Timbers Army, coaches, ambassadors, staff, and community members will come together for a week of service; and

Whereas, Stand Together volunteers will participate in over thirty community events and projects throughout Portland; and

Whereas, community service projects will include building homes, tending gardens, restoring local parks, pulling ivy, painting schools, and more; and

Whereas, Stand Together will support local, mission-driven non-profits, including AC Portland, Portland YouthBuilders, Friends of Trees and Hands On Greater Portland, among others; and

Whereas, Stand Together Week is a call to action by the City, the Portland Timbers, and our community partners to inspire people to give back through community service;

Now, therefore, I, Charlie Hales, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the “City of Roses,” do hereby proclaim August 4-10, 2013 to be

Portland Timbers Stand Together Week

in Portland, and encourage all residents to recognize and join in this week of service to our community.

Charlie Hales