

Whereas

Whereas, Portland's Northwest Dance Project was founded by award-winning choreographer Sarah Slipper in 2004; and

Whereas, Northwest Dance Project has carved out a unique role in our community by creating bold, new dance performances; and

Whereas, Northwest Dance Project has attracted talented choreographers to Portland; and

Whereas, Northwest Dance Project has won prestigious international awards, and has two current Princess Grace Award winning dancers: Andrea Parson and Franco Nieto; and

Whereas, Northwest Dance Project's performances enrich our community and further Portland's reputation as a hub for dance and the arts; and

Whereas, more than 50,000 people have enjoyed performances by Northwest Dance Project in its ten years, including performances at the historic Newmark Theatre, Lincoln Performance Hall, Northwest Dance Project's Studio & Performance Center on North Mississippi Avenue, and the Washington Park Amphitheater; and

Whereas, Northwest Dance Project represented Portland and the city's vibrant performing arts scene during the company's first tour to Canada in March 2014, which was supported by a grant from The Canada Council for the Arts; and

Whereas, Northwest Dance Project is celebrating its 10th Anniversary Season with special Portland performances from April 3 - 5, 2014;

Now, Therefore, I, Charlie Hales, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim April 2, 2014 to be a day of recognition for

Northwest Dance Project

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

Charlie Hales

