

PROCLAMATION

KIDNESS YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, our daily lives are filled with information regarding unfortunate or bitter events, often causing feelings of sadness, and uneasiness; and

WHEREAS, it is important that everyone treat others as they wish to be treated; and

WHEREAS, by fostering acts of kindness within our community we help develop a base of compassion and perspective within ourselves and those around us; and

WHEREAS, by recognizing these acts of kindness, all members of our community will be made aware of the importance of being kind to others through the year; and

WHEREAS, the many daily acts of kindness that occur in our community are largely inconspicuous and unobtrusive; and

WHEREAS, intentionally performing an act of kindness has the potential of lifting spirits and encourages others to practice kindness; and

WHEREAS, the City of Manzanita City Council and staff join together to help spread kindness and encourage acts of kindness locally and urge all residents, homeowners, visitors and businesses to create their own acts of kindness,

Now, Therefore, I Michael Scott, Mayor of the City of Manzanita, Oregon, do hereby proclaim the year 2020 as

Kindness Year 2020

In Manzanita and call upon all residents, homeowners, visitors, and businesses to work together to celebrate kindness and ensure that our community is a safer place for all, a place where everyone feels respected, safe, and valued.

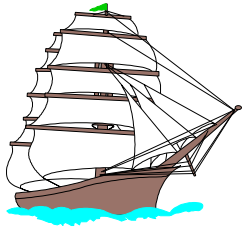
The City of Manzanita urges all to perform an act of kindness this year and take a moment to be a thoughtful, compassionate friend, neighbor, and fellow resident.

The City of Manzanita urges all to consider wearing a mask when in contact with others, honoring social distancing and washing your hands frequently during the duration of the Covid-19 pandemic, as an act of kindness.

The City of Manzanita encourages community members to participate in spreading kindness and practicing respect, generosity, patience, and considerations of others at all times.

DONE AND DATED in Manzanita, Oregon this 6th day of May, 2020.

Michael Scott
Mayor



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May 1, 2020

Dear Manzanita Homeowners, Friends, and Neighbors,

We are reaching out to you in hopes that together, we can begin to heal the unfortunate rift that has opened within our community. Many of you are aware that during current “Manzanita State of Emergency”, the City has asked that any homeowners traveling to the community please avoid traveling “back and forth” from more infected areas. Our goal has simply been to limit the potential spread of the virus to what is a vulnerable population and to preserve, as much as practical, an extremely limited medical capacity in Tillamook County. Unfortunately, some residents with second homes or vacation homes have felt unwelcome to their community. For this, we are deeply saddened. Nothing could be further from the truth. During this unprecedented time, it was important that we act in the best interests of all of our residents, both full and part-time. The intention then, as it is now, was to encourage our residents to “stay home” in place, in their primary residence, and to help us avoid exposure through unnecessary travel. We stand behind that decision.

We want you to feel welcome in Manzanita, whether you are walking the beach, shopping for food items, or just relaxing in your home. We envision a future where we all will gather again for our many celebrations, shopping in stores or dining in restaurants. We cannot wait for that day to come.

We also recognize the many selfless contributions to our little “village.” Much of what everyone loves and recognizes about Manzanita today was made possible by the contributions by residents, including second homeowners; so many of you volunteer at local events, contribute

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to local charities, and patronize local shops. Whether full-time residents or vacation homeowners, our residents and owners are volunteers! Whether it is the Manzanita Visitors Center, the North Coast Library, Pine Grove Community House, Emergency Volunteer Corps. or many others, you and your neighbors are the very foundation of all of these organizations. One recent example is a vacation homeowner who freely lent his banking expertise to several of our businesses as they struggled with SBA loan applications. We understand you do not do these things on a whim. Rather, you value the true feeling of community. Being part of a beautiful community is probably why you chose Manzanita as your home.

We hope that you will understand that we have continued to confront head-on the many difficulties facing us during the current pandemic emergency. There was no playbook for Covid-19, no template for us to follow. City council and staff have worked tirelessly to keep all our homeowners, residents, and employees informed and prepared and we will continue to keep the lines of communication open.

Now, as we seek to move forward to what is an uncertain future, we sincerely hope that we can work together as Manzanita community members and to close the gap that has appeared between us. For a community to thrive and remain vital, there can be no “us” and “them,” only friends and neighbors. We will make every effort to continue to foster that value.

We humbly ask you to join us.

Mike Scott	Linda Kozlowski	Hans Tonjes	Steve Nuttall	Thomas Aschenbrener
Mayor	Council President	Councilor	Councilor	Councilor

For further information regarding the City of Manzanita response to Covid-19, please visit:

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