WHEREAS: International education and exchanges include thousands of programs—public and private, campus-based and consortial—that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders. These include academic programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, international students in U.S. high schools and universities, area and foreign language studies, and resident discussion groups in pursuit of understanding of other countries and cultures; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Departments of State and Education declare this week as the 19th annual "International Education Week" in observance of the many contributions international education makes to our nation's peace and prosperity; and

WHEREAS: By participating in international education endeavors, our residents develop a greater appreciation and respect for other cultures, and are more prepared for the interconnected world in which we live; and

WHEREAS: Striving to increase cultural literacy among the residents of Oregon contributes to the understanding of foreign policy, economic competitiveness, and national security; and

WHEREAS: Residents and institutions of this State are encouraged to participate in celebrating this week and recognizing the importance of international education in our communities and individual lives.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim November 12-16, 2018 to be

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in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, October 29, 2018.

Kate Brown, Governor

Dennis Richardson, Secretary of State