



MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

JANUARY 9, 2010 - DEWEY WEST JR. DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

WHEREAS, the City of Boardman having lost one of the community's long time civic leaders in Dewey West Jr., would like to express sincere gratitude to the dedication of Mr. West, and acknowledge some of his contributions to the citizens of the community; and

WHEREAS, Dewey was a business owner, a City Councilor from 1952-1962, the Mayor from 1963-1977, and a City Councilor again from 1978-1992. Dewey was also a Port of Morrow Commissioner from the years 1959-1977. During the years of relocation of the City from the old town site, now inundated in the Columbia River, Dewey served on the Port Commission and as the City's Mayor. Dewey was an instrumental civic leader during these years, which were tumultuous as the City was moved, ways of life were changed, and a new City was born. His leadership effort during this time, in part, led to a level of statewide recognition when he became the League of Oregon Cities President in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Dewey served forty years in these elected positions, in service to the citizens of Boardman, and he leaves behind a remarkable legacy of not only being respected, but also loved, by those he served; and

WHEREAS, When a thought of Dewey passes our minds, we will all see the affable smile, hear the kind words, and understand the value of his tireless leadership.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Chet Phillips, Mayor of the City of Boardman, Oregon, hereby proclaim January 9, 2010 to be Mayor Dewey West Jr. Day in Boardman, as a Day of Remembrance and ask that the citizens of Boardman, Oregon, forever, with respect, remember Dewey West Jr.

SIGNED this 5th day of January, 2010.

Mayor Chet Phillips

