

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Whereas Oregon's organic agricultural trade is a vital segment of Oregon's economy, with more than 435 certified farms operating on over 137,000 acres and bringing in over \$89 million in farmgate sales in 2008; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregon's organic agricultural trade, working with Oregon's state government, has been a leader in the development of U.S. organic trade, having passed the first organic standards legislation in the U.S. in 1973 and having revised the Oregon Organic Foods Law in 1989, which served as the model for eventual national organic standards; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregon's organic agricultural trade has proven to be a constant innovator, having first published organic certification standards in 1987, first promoted a large-scale celebration of the trade when Governor Neil Goldschmidt declared the first Organically Grown in Oregon Week in 1988; and having first established a statewide advocacy group, Oregon Organic Coalition, to represent the trade to private and public interests.
- NOW,
THEREFORE:** I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **September 13 – 19, 2010** to be

ORGANICALLY GROWN IN OREGON WEEK

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, May 11, 2010.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Kate Brown
Kate Brown, Secretary of State