

Proclamation

City of La Pine

Whereas, On December 8th, 2014 the citizens of La Pine learned of the passing of Pearl Harbor and World War II Survivor Chuck Sellentin at the age of ninety one; and

Whereas, On December 7th, 1941 Chuck Sellentin was an 18-year-old Coast Guardsman serving on the cutter USS Taney at United States Naval Port Pearl Harbor when the military forces of the Empire of Japan suddenly, without warning, launched a surprise attack on the United States Naval Port of Pearl Harbor; and

Whereas, Chuck Sellentin was on watch in the engine room the morning of December 7, 1941 when his shipmate came sliding down the rails saying "The real thing is happening, right now!"; and

Whereas, Chuck Sellentin on board the USS Taney during and after the bombing of United States Naval Port Pearl Harbor, Sellentin patrolled the harbor's entrance and dropped depth charges into the water, to destroy or keep at bay any of Japan's two-man submarines; and

Whereas, Chuck Sellentin survived the attack on United States Naval Port Pearl Harbor and went on to serve in the Korean War and marrying his beloved wife, Mary Ann, raising four children, he retired in 1978 and moved to La Pine Oregon; and

Whereas, Chuck Sellentin then became President of the Central Oregon Chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association and visited many schools to talk about that fateful day and its message to the country of vigilance against foreign threats;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that at the request of the City of La Pine, the Governor of the State of Oregon hereby permits through PROCLAMATION, all flags of the United States Of America on public buildings, within the City of La Pine, shall be lowered to Half Staff on Monday, December 15th, 2014 from sunrise to sunset in Honor and Memory of Chuck Sellentin.

Adopted by the City Council this 17th day of December, 2014.

Ken Mulenex, Mayor

Councilor Kathy Agan

Councilor Greg Jones

Council President Stu Martinez

Councilor Karen Ward

ATTEST:

Rick Allen, City Manager