

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** The Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) courageously answered their country's call to service during World War II; and
- WHEREAS:** The WASP was a pioneering organization of 1,074 civilian female pilots trained to fly military aircraft under the direction of the United States Army Air Forces; and
- WHEREAS:** The WASP flew 78 different types of aircraft, on every type of mission in the Army Air Force, except combat, and flew nearly 60 million miles of operation flights; and
- WHEREAS:** The WASP reported for duty more than three decades before females in the United States were allowed to attend military pilot training with full military status; and
- WHEREAS:** The WASP have been recognized by the United States in 2010 and awarded the Congressional Gold Medal of Honor for their distinct service to their country from 1942-44; and
- WHEREAS:** Twenty-five of these brave WASP pilots have called Oregon home.
- NOW,**
THEREFORE: I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **March 10, 2010** to be

WOMEN AIRFORCE SERVICE PILOTS DAY

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, March 8, 2010.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Kate Brown
Kate Brown, Secretary of State