

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS, the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon Organization (YSSO) was founded in 1988 by music educators and professional musicians and presented its first concern season in 1988-1989; and*

*WHEREAS, YSSO's mission is to provide exceptional performance experiences under the leadership of professional conductors and music coaches, and to foster a lifelong appreciation of classical music and the arts; and*

*WHEREAS, the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon Organization is an independent nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, and individuals, businesses, corporations, agencies and foundations provide funding for concerts, education and outreach initiatives and day-to-day operations; and*

*WHEREAS, the concert season features performances of standard literature for orchestra, masterworks, concerti, commissioned works, arrangements for preparatory orchestra and string ensemble, and chamber music; and*

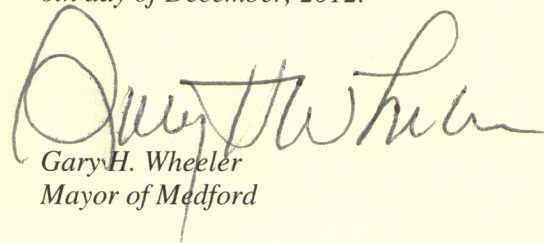
*WHEREAS, YSSO's musicians will be better citizens as a result of meeting the intellectual and technical challenges presented by each composer, through their interaction with each other and by mastering and interpreting the music as a team;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gary H. Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Medford, do hereby proclaim December 18, 2012 as*

## **YOUTH SYMPHONY OF SOUTHERN OREGON DAY**

*in the City of Medford and urge all citizens to join us in celebrating the organization's Silver Jubilee Concert Season.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF,  
I hereunto set my hand this  
6th day of December, 2012.*

  
Gary H. Wheeler  
Mayor of Medford

