WHEREAS: Geology and the other earth sciences are essential to the health, safety, prosperity, and resilience of Oregon; and

WHEREAS: Earth science helps Oregon’s people and places prepare for natural hazards such as earthquakes, tsunami, floods, landslides, volcanic eruptions, and coastal erosion; and

WHEREAS: Earth science contributes to the health of our coast, rivers, forests and other ecosystems; and

WHEREAS: The understanding of geologic hazards and resources that earth science provides is crucial for land management and land use decisions; and

WHEREAS: Earth science is integral to locating, developing and conserving mineral, energy, and water resources needed for Oregon to thrive; and

WHEREAS: Earth science inspires appreciation and exploration of Oregon’s wondrous geoheritage.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim October 8-14, 2017 to be EARTH SCIENCE 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, September 21, 2017.

Kate Brown, Governor

Dennis Richardson, Secretary of State