

# PROCLAMATION

- American Craft Beer Week is annually celebrated by small and independent breweries, restaurants, and beer stores by craft brewers and home brewers nationwide.
- Our local craft breweries continue to grow their businesses in the city of Ashland and the greater State of Jefferson.
- 4,200-plus American craft brewers employ over 115,000 full- and part-time workers and annually generate more than \$3 billion in wages and benefits;
- American craft brewers support American agriculture by purchasing barley and hops grown, processed, and distributed in the United States.
- And our local craft breweries are actively involved in the Ashland community through philanthropy and sponsorship of community events.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council and Mayor, on behalf of the citizens of Ashland, do proclaim May 16 – 22, 2016, as

## “American Craft Beer Week”

And encourage all citizens to support the goals and ideals of American Craft Beer Week, as founded by the Brewers Association, to recognize the significant contributions of our local breweries to the city of Ashland’s economy and to celebrate and appreciate the accomplishments of all craft breweries through events at our local breweries.

Dated this 17th day of May, 2016

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John Stromberg, Mayor

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Barbara Christensen, City Recorder