

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Computer technologies, algorithms, data science, and machine learning are transforming nearly every aspect of our lives at an accelerating pace; and
- WHEREAS:** Computer science skills, knowledge, and dispositions have become essential to fully participate in modern democratic society and are the gateway to high-wage, high-demand jobs that will drive Oregon's prosperity; and
- WHEREAS:** There are persistent, systemic inequities and underrepresentation of women, people of color, and people from rural communities in computer science educational pathways and our workforce; and
- WHEREAS:** Increasing access to high-quality computer science education is a key priority of Oregon's STEM Education Plan; and
- WHEREAS:** The Governor advises all school districts to develop coordinated strategies for all students to learn computer science skills and digital literacy across grade bands, and encourages colleges of education to integrate computer science education into the preparation of every teacher in the state; and
- WHEREAS:** The week of December 4th honors Grace Hopper, a pioneering woman who laid the foundation for many advancements in computer science.
- NOW,**
THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **December 4-10, 2017** to be

COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION 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, November 7, 2017.



Kate Brown
Kate Brown, Governor

Dennis Richardson
Dennis Richardson, Secretary of State