



Office of the Mayor **PROCLAMATION**

Whereas, Dr. Oliver Smithies, Excellence Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, is a co-recipient of this year's Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine; and

Whereas, the Nobel Foundation announced that Dr. Smithies, Mario Capecchi of the University of Utah's Howard Hughes Medical Institute and Sir Martin J. Evans of the United Kingdom will share, this years, 2007, Nobel Prize "for their discoveries of principles for introducing specific gene modifications in mice by the use of embryonic stem cells"; and

Whereas, his innovations have revolutionized genetic research and advanced the effective treatment of many diseases, and millions of people worldwide now have better and longer lives because of his work; and

Whereas, the Town of Chapel Hill recognizes the honor and accolades that its citizens bring to our community; and

Whereas, Dr. Oliver Smithies is a resident of the Town of Chapel Hill and has been a faculty member at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for 19 years;

Now, Therefore, I, Kevin C. Foy, Mayor of the Town of Chapel Hill and the Town Council of the Town of Chapel Hill hereby express praise, admiration and congratulations to Dr. Oliver Smithies for being awarded the Nobel Prize.



Given under my hand
And the seal of the
Town of Chapel Hill
On this the twenty-second
day of October, Two
Thousand and seven


Kevin C. Foy, Mayor