## **Proclamation**

## Earth day

## City of Milwaukie

**WHEREAS,** the first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970, with the goal of inspiring environmental awareness and encouraging the conservation, protection and appreciation of our nation's natural resources; and

**WHEREAS,** it is the responsibility of each of us to safeguard the environment, by recognizing that all human life depends upon the Earth and that we depend upon one another for our mutual existence, well-being, and development; and

**WHEREAS**, steps to protect and preserve our natural environment through education, partnerships, and positive actions are being encouraged in the City of Milwaukie public facilities through our Sustainable Milwaukie Plan and in the community in general; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the City of Milwaukie are committed not only to the protection and preservation of the environment, but also to the restoration of ecosystems and habitat; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Milwaukie proudly recognizes all who protect and preserve the environment through their actions on Earth Day and every day by taking a proactive role in shaping the future of our environment and in protecting Milwaukie's precious natural resources;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Jeremy Ferguson, Mayor of Milwaukie Oregon, do hereby proclaim Monday April 22, 2013 as EARTH DAY in the City of Milwaukie and urge all citizens to be mindful of local, state and national laws that protect our environment, and to continue to preserve the beauty and wonder of the land, air and water of the Earth in all its diversity.

Jeremy Ferguson, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie Signed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2013