

PROCLAMATION
IN COMMEMORATION OF EARTH DAY

WHEREAS, Saturday, April 20, 2002, has been designated as Earth Day; a designation that began in 1970 as a long term endeavor to build a planet that would be clean, healthy, prosperous and sustainable; and

WHEREAS, the earth provides humanity with treasures such as old growth forests, magnificent mountains, fertile valleys, rich wetlands, expansive seashores and grand rivers; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Linn can and must make contributions to solving our environmental and natural resource problems through land use, transportation and zoning decisions that protect our resources and shape our environment; and

WHEREAS, it is time for everyone to increase their understanding of the importance for participating in programs that work toward the clean-up and regeneration of our natural resources and enhance our general respect for the earth, which is fixed and finite in size; and

WHEREAS, Earth Awareness Month, the month of April and specifically, Earth Awareness Day, will reach beyond existing environmental constituencies to involve the broadest possible cross-section of society including business, media, religious, political, youth, academic and cultural leaders;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LINN DOES HEREBY PROCLAIM SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2002, AS EARTH AWARENESS DAY AND WE URGE ALL CITIZENS TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY WHICH WILL PROVIDE US WITH A SPECIAL OCCASION TO RENEW OUR COMMITMENT TO PROTECT OUR COMMON HOME, EARTH.

Dated this 17th day of April 2002.


David Dodds, Mayor

