

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the People of this City, “The Dogwood City of the West”, are proud to reside amid the natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest and the State of Oregon, and all the trees, plants, waterways, and wildlife encompassed in this region that give character and life to the landscape; and

WHEREAS, the first Earth Day was proclaimed on April 22, 1970, and its annual observance has encouraged the conservation, protection, and appreciation of our planet’s ecosystems and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, April 22, 2020, marks the 50th anniversary of the first Earth Day, and is centered around climate action and increasing community commitment to solving the climate crisis; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukie community has embraced carbon and sustainability goals in the face of climate change, the most pressing threat for our planet; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie has formally adopted a Climate Action Plan that includes strategies and actions for our City to conserve our natural resources, encourage sustainable neighborhoods and behaviors, and promote resiliency; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie declared a climate emergency on January 21, 2020, and called for the acceleration of the climate goals established in the Climate Action Plan to better address the urgency of the climate crisis and to call on community members to take part in climate action in their own homes, businesses, and communities; and

WHEREAS, education, partnerships, and community actions for restoring and protecting our ecosystems, climate, and planet are promoted and honored by all of Milwaukie’s residents, as is the shared desire for a resilient community and environmental justice and access to nature for all community members; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie proudly recognizes all who protect and preserve the environment and climate through participation in Earth Day activities and by taking a proactive role in the protection of our community’s precious natural resources.

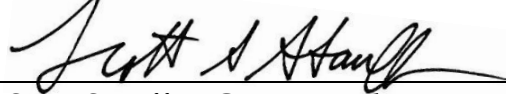
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Gamba, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim **April 22, 2020**, to be **Earth Day** in Milwaukie.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this twenty-first day of April 21, 2020.



Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:



Scott Stauffer, City Recorder