

## 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 through environmental volunteerism and climate action; 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, Urban Forest Management Plan, and Comprehensive Plan that include strategies and policies that will enable our city to conserve natural resources, promote a healthy urban forest, encourage sustainable behaviors, and improve community environmental 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 address the urgency of the climate crisis and 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 Milwaukie residents, as is the shared desire for a resilient community, 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 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, 2021, Earth Day.

**IN WITNESS, WHEREOF**, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this Twentieth day of April 2021.



Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:



Scott Stauffer, City Recorder