

REPORT / RECOMMENDATION



To: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Agenda Item #: V.B.

From: Ross Bintner P.E.
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Date: April 2, 2013

Subject: Earth Day Proclamation, April 22, 2013

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Action Requested:

Authorize Mayor to sign attached proclamation.

Information / Background:

At its March 14, 2013, meeting the Energy and Environment Commission recommended the Edina City Council proclaim April 22, Earth Day 2013 in Edina and encourage residents to attend the April 18, Edina Dialogue; "What's up with the weather? Our changing climate and what we can do about it" at 7:00 p.m. at Edina High School, Fick Auditorium.

Attachment:

Earth Day 2013 Proclamation

PROCLAMATION

Earth Day 2013

WHEREAS, the global community now faces extraordinary challenges, such as global health issues, food and water shortages, and economic struggles; and

WHEREAS, all people, regardless of race, gender, income, or geography, have a moral right to a healthy, sustainable environment with economic growth; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the citizens of the global community must step forward and take action to create a green economy to combat the aforementioned global challenges; and

WHEREAS, a green economy can be achieved on the individual level through educational efforts, public policy, and consumer activism campaigns; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to broaden and diversify this global movement to achieve maximum success.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Edina hereby proclaims April 22, 2013, as

EARTH DAY 2013

in order to support green economy initiatives in the City of Edina and to encourage others to undertake similar actions.

FURTHERMORE, let it be known that the City of Edina, Minnesota, hereby encourages its residents, businesses and institutions to use **EARTH DAY** to honor and celebrate the earth and commit to building a sustainable and green economy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, James B. Hovland, Mayor of the City of Edina, have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Edina to be affixed this second day of April, 2013.

James B. Hovland, Mayor