

City of Wheaton, Illinois



## PROCLAMATION

### Earth Year 2025

**WHEREAS**, fifty-five years ago, more than 20 million Americans united on the first Earth Day to voice their concern for the environment, sparking a movement that led to landmark legislation protecting our air, water, and land; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Wheaton's Environmental Improvement Commission continues this legacy through Earth Year initiatives, educating residents on the importance of recycling, composting, conservation, energy-efficient transportation, water quality, Dark Skies initiatives, and the "Pick Up 5" anti-litter campaign— all of which help reduce our negative environmental impact; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth Year 2025 encompasses a wide array of sustainability-focused programs, including monthly electronic, scrap metal, vegetable cooking oil, tube light, and textile recycling on the second Saturday each month, as well as Earth Day celebrations, the Native Plant Sale, the Annual Recycling Extravaganza, the Pumpkin Smash, and the Adopt-A-Highway Clean Up; and

**WHEREAS**, these initiatives not only promote direct environmental action, but also educate the community on the importance of supporting policies and legislation that protect the environment and reinforce our shared responsibility as stewards of the Earth.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City of Wheaton, Illinois, proudly proclaims "**EARTH YEAR 2025**" and encourages all residents in the City of Wheaton to actively participate in efforts that foster sustainability and safeguard our global environment for future generations.

**DATED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2025.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

  
Mayor, Philip J. Suess