



## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Earth Day was first celebrated on April 22, 1970, with the goal of inspiring an appreciation of our nation's natural resources through conservation and protection; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of this day marks an annual review of and commitment to the principles of that first Earth Day; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day marks a renewed commitment to environmental stewardship and to the implementation of sustainability efforts; and

WHEREAS, the global community now faces extraordinary challenges, such as environmental degradation, global health issues, climate change, food and water shortages; and

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

WHEREAS, it is understood that the citizens of the global community must step forward and take action to create positive environmental change to combat the aforementioned global challenges; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Moline celebrates Earth Day by extending it to the month of April in recognition of the commitment to environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Moline residents are encouraged to implement practices designed to preserve and protect our environment and shape the future of our environmental security.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed that I, Mayor Reggie Freeman, do proudly decree that the month of April 2022 be recognized as

### EARTH MONTH

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, given under my hand and seal of office this on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2022

  
City Clerk Wanda Roberts Bontz



  
Mayor Reggie Freeman, City of East Moline

