



ROCK ISLAND  
ILLINOIS

Mayor Mike Thoms

## 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 Rock Island celebrates Earth Day by extending it to the month of April in recognition of the commitment to environmental stewardship; and
- WHEREAS,** the residents of the City of Rock Island are encouraged to implement practices designed to preserve and protect our environment and shape the future of our environmental security.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mike Thoms, Mayor of the City of Rock Island, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2022 as

## EARTH MONTH

in the City of Rock Island.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2022.



Mike Thoms, Mayor

