

PROCLAMATION

"DAY OF THE HONEY BEE" May 29, 2017

WHEREAS:

honey bees are facing dramatic declines in population across

North America and the World due to habitat loss, pests, and

pesticide use; and

WHEREAS:

honey bees and other pollinators are responsible for pollinating

nearly 90% of the World's plants, including many important

food crops; and

WHEREAS:

citizens of Nanaimo can help support a bee-friendly environment by abstaining from using pesticides, provide habitat for bees on your balcony or in your garden by planting native flowering plants, provide a home for bees on your property by joining a local beekeeping group and becoming an

urban beekeeper.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill McKay, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim that May 29, 2017 shall be known as:

"DAY OF THE HONEY BEE"

in the City of Nanaimo.

Bill McKay M A Y O R

DATED THIS 15th DAY OF MAY, 2017.

