

**CITY OF LACEY**  
***Official Proclamation***

**WHEREAS**, Earth Day was created 53 years ago, recognizing the importance for everyone to protect the planet on which we live; and

**WHEREAS**, all life forms on Earth have a right to a healthy, sustainable environment; and

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

**WHEREAS**, all of us have an obligation to preserve the Earth's beauty as well as its resources, this obligation extends not only to today's generation but also to the future generations who will inherit our planet from us; and


**WHEREAS**, Lacey, exemplifies the ethos of Earth Day by its continued commitment to conserving water and energy, reducing carbon emissions and waste, and maintaining its Tree City USA designation; and

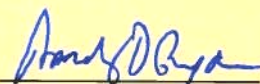
**WHEREAS**, as we proclaim Earth Day, we recognize our obligation to live up to the significance of environmental stewardship every day; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andy Ryder, Mayor of the City of Lacey, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim Saturday April 22, 2023, as

***Earth Day***

in the City of Lacey, and I encourage all community members to be aware of their impacts on our environment and to participate in stewardship opportunities to preserve local resources.





Mayor Andy Ryder  
April 6, 2023