

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

RESOLUTION NO. 24-014

RECOGNIZING APRIL 22, 2024, AS EARTH DAY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

WHEREAS, Earth Day is an annual reminder of the continual need for environmental advocacy, stewardship commitments, and sustainability efforts; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County and the global community are facing enormous environmental challenges; and

WHEREAS, everyone, regardless of race, gender, income, or geography, has a right to a healthy, sustainable environment with economic growth and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, we are all caretakers of our planet and have an obligation to combat climate change and environmental degradation to conserve the Earth's resources, health, and beauty; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County has ample natural resources, spectacular scenery, and an obligation to preserve them for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and our community partners, are committed to being good stewards of our resources and managing infrastructure to protect, enhance, use, and enjoy our land, air, and water now and into the future; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Earth Day 2024 is "Planet vs. Plastics," which is an unwavering commitment to call for the end of plastics for the sake of human and planetary health, demanding a 60% reduction in the production of plastics by 2040; and the ultimate goal of building a plastic-free future for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, since this year marks the 54th anniversary of the Earth Day movement, Snohomish County encourages all businesses, institutions, and individuals to celebrate the Earth and commit to caring for the planet and its resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council recognizes April 22, 2024, as Earth Day in Snohomish County. The County Council encourages all Snohomish County businesses, institutions, residents, and visitors to celebrate Earth Day and commit to being good stewards of our planet and its resources. Please join us in participating in Earth Day by taking part in conservation and stewardship events.

APPROVED this 17th day of April 2024.

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