



PROCLAMATION

Earth Day

April 22, 2019

WHEREAS: The global community faces extraordinary challenges, such as global health issues, food and water shortages, and economic struggles; and

WHEREAS: All people, regardless of race, gender, income, or geography, have a moral right to a healthy, sustainable environment with economic growth; and

WHEREAS: It is understood that the citizens of the global community must step forward to take action to create a more sustainable economy to address the global challenges; and

WHEREAS: A greener economy can be achieved on the individual level through educational efforts, public policy, and consumer activism campaigns; and

WHEREAS: It is necessary to broaden and diversify this global movement; and

WHEREAS: The City of Frederick takes action toward these goals, implementing a sustainability plan that preserves and promotes forestation, protects the watershed, reduces energy consumption and seeks energy sources that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS: The City encourages residents, businesses and institutions on Earth Day to celebrate the Earth and commit to building a sustainable and green economy, noting that TransIT Services of Frederick County will offer free rides on connectors and shuttles for the day,

NOW THEREFORE I, Michael O'Connor, Mayor of The City of Frederick, hereby proclaim April 22, 2019, as **Earth Day**, and ask all to support our green economy initiatives and to encourage others to undertake similar actions.

Mayor Michael O'Connor
Aldermen: Kelly Russell, President Pro-Tem,
Derek Shackelford, Roger Wilson,
Donna Kuzemchak, Ben MacShane