

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Committee of the Whole (1)

DATE: Tuesday, September 13, 2022

TITLE: NATIONAL FOREST WEEK PROCLAMATION

FROM:

Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua

Whereas, governments across the country are protectors of Canada's natural landscape, as Canadian forests account for nine per cent of the world's forests; and,

Whereas, Canada's forests play a crucial role in maintaining healthy ecosystems, clean air and water, and wildlife habitat while being an essential aspect of climate change mitigation efforts; and,

Whereas, it is the goal of the City of Vaughan to foster a sustainable future, acting as a steward for the preservation of the natural environment and including principles of environmental protection into its social and economic initiatives; and

Whereas, the proposed "National Forest Week" proclamation is an annual one-week campaign with the theme of "Canada's Forests: Solutions for a Changing Climate" and will be celebrated across the community by individuals and organizations.

It is therefore recommended:

- 1. THAT the City of Vaughan proclaims the week of Sunday, Sept. 18 to Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022, "National Forest Week;" and,
- 2. THAT the proclamation be posted on the City of Vaughan's website; and,
- 3. THAT the Corporate and Strategic Communications department be directed to promote the proclamation on corporate communications channels; and,
- 4. That Council ratify these recommendations at the Council meeting of September 28, 2022.