



**PROCLAMATION
EARTH DAY**

WHEREAS: April 22, 2023 is the 53rd anniversary of Earth Day, a time marked by massive coast-to-coast rallies and an estimated 22 million Americans took to the streets, parks, and auditoriums to urge America to come together and clean up its air and water systems. Despite the event's amazing success and resulting decades of environmental progress, momentous challenges remain before us, and

WHEREAS: Today the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is calling for an acceleration agenda to speed up global actions on climate change mitigation. Climate action is needed now more than ever, especially by the heaviest polluting countries, to ensure the future for generations to come, and

WHEREAS: Our efforts can benefit society in countless ways from improving air quality to enhancing ecosystems to boosting public health. We have many options including recycling, composting, planting trees and pollinator and insect friendly gardens, supporting Farmers Markets, driving electric and hybrid vehicles, investing in solar energy, and

WHEREAS: On this observance of Earth Day, as your Acting Mayor I ask that you join me in the pledge to educate ourselves and others on the pressing environmental issues and work together within our communities to generate, advocate and support the implementation of new ways of living to ensure a sustainable future.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Kim J. Thomas, Acting Mayor of the City of La Vista, do hereby declare the 22nd day of April as **EARTH DAY** in the City of La Vista.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the official Seal of the City of La Vista to be affixed this 18th day of April 2023.

Kim J. Thomas, Acting Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Buethe, MMC
City Clerk