Council Meeting Date: April 13, 2009 Agenda Item: 2(b)

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Proclamation for Earth Day

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PRESENTED BY: Rika Cecil, Environmental Programs Coordinator

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

This proclamation recognizes April 22, 2009, as Earth Day in the City of Shoreline. It calls upon City residents to celebrate this special occasion by committing to protect our natural environment.

One of the recent successful examples of the City's commitment to building a healthy environment and sustainable community is the collaboration with Goodwill and Deseret to collect televisions, computers and computer monitors for the State's product stewardship program, which started January 1, 2009.

Receiving the proclamation are representatives from Shoreline's Goodwill and Deseret facilities.

RECOMMENDATION

No action is required.

Approved By:

City Manager

<u>ATTACHMENTS</u>

Attachment A: Earth Day Proclamation



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a healthy natural environment is the foundation of a vigorous society and a robust economy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline values sustainability and stewardship of the environment and natural resources and is striving to create an environmentally sustainable community:

WHEREAS, product stewardship shares responsibility of a product's environmental impact with the designers, producers, retailers and consumers of the product; and

WHEREAS, product stewardship recycles materials, conserves our limited resources, protects our environment from toxic materials in products, and creates jobs in the private sector, making our community more sustainable; and

WHEARAS, the City Council's 2008-2009 work plan, Goal #3 is to "Create an Environmentally Sustainable Community," including "reduction of solid waste and maximizing recycling and reuse of resources";

WHEREAS, there are economic, environmental and social reasons to provide opportunities for businesses and community members to become stewards of our resources and to protect our environment; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day offers citizens an unprecedented opportunity to commit to building a healthy planet and flourishing communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cindy Ryu, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2009 as

EARTH DAY

in the City of Shoreline and call upon all residents to celebrate this special observance and commit to improving our relationship with the natural environment through individual and community awareness and action.

Cindy Ryu Mayor of Shoreline