## **CITY OF SEBASTOPOL**



## **Proclamation**

## Proclaiming Saturday, March 26, 2022 from 8:30 pm – 9:30 pm as Earth Hour in the City of Sebastopol

Whereas, In 2007, World Wildlife (WWF) encouraged people around the world to switch off their lights to call attention to climate change; and

Whereas, More than a decade later, the climate crisis remains, made worse by another urgent threat: the rapid loss of biodiversity and nature; and

Whereas, Every year, at 8:30 pm on the last Saturday of March, millions of people across the world show their support for our planet, raising awareness of nature loss and climate change; and

Whereas, Earth Hour aims to increase awareness and spark global conversations on protecting nature not only to combat the climate crisis, but to ensure our own health, happiness, prosperity and even survival; and

Whereas, City encourages the community to observe Earth Hour by turning off lights for an hour to raise awareness about the need to conserve energy and to address climate change; and

Whereas, Sebastopol residents and businesses are encouraged to join millions of people around the world for Earth Hour and commit to an action that protects the planet for the rest of the year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT** I, Patrick Slayter, Mayor of the City of Sebastopol, do hereby proclaim Earth Hour, Saturday, March 26, 2022 from 8:30 pm – 9:30 pm and welcome everyone to take part and help amplify our mission to unite people to protect our planet.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Sebastopol this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022.

PATRICK SLAYTER

MAYOR, CITY OF SEBASTOPOL