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Application for Proclamation POL.COR.21.01

Please complete and submit your completed form to the Town Clerk at least **3 weeks** in advance of the occasion.

Organization Name	Climate Action Now Network (CANN TBM)
Contact Name	Sally Leppard
Address	
Phone Number	
Email Address	

Proclamation Requested (Name/Title of Proclamation) EARTH HOUR - MARCH 22, 2025 8:30-9:30 p.4.

Dates of Proclamation (Please check and insert dates)

1 Day(s) MARCH 22/25	Week	Month	
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Purpose of Proclamation (Please check all that apply)

Civic Promotions	~	Public Awareness Campaign		Charitable Fundraising Campaign
Arts and Cultural Celebration		Special Honour for Individual/Organization	~	Other (please specify) Climate Change Action

Description of Your Organization (Please include a brief description and any other relevant information related to your request. Additional information/documentation may be attached to this application.

Climate Action Now Network's good is to reduce carbon pollution in our corner of the planet and wack together towards a More Sustainable Community

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Has the same or a similar proclamation been requested of the Town of The Blue Mountains Council in the past?

Yes (insert date of previous request)

No

Please provide the draft wording for your proclamation for Council consideration in order to receive an official signed proclamation from the Mayor.

Proclamation Flag (please provide photo of the proposed flag if applicable)

Signature:		Date: Teb, 20/2025
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Date Request Received	February 19, 2025	
Proclamation Outcome		
Approved	Denied	Other
Approved/Denied By		
Approval Date		
Additional Comments		
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CLIMATE ACTION NOW NETWORK

Deputation to Committee of The Whole Operations

February 25, 2025

Sally Leppard Lead: Families Go Green For Blue <u>www.gogreenforblue</u>

EARTH HOUR: March 22, 2025 8:30 – 9:30 p.m.

- Earth Hour is one of the largest, positive, global grassroots movements aimed at environmental change
- The smallest change can have the biggest impact
- We need to stand together to make real change to help combat climate change
- Earth Hour is not just about switching of our lights for one hour it's a symbol for hope that collectively we can make a positive impact on our wonderful Town and planet.
- Support TBM Families on March 22, who will be:
 - Turning off their lights and stepping outside to enjoy the stars
 - Discussing what more we can do and what changes we can make
 - Checking out CANN's website and social media for tips and ideas on how to reduce carbon pollution

OUR ASK:

- PROCLAIM Earth Week 2025 on March 22 from 8:30 9:30 p.m.
- Promote Earth Week on the Town Website and emails

THANK YOU! Please see attached draft Proclamation

Proclamation for Earth Hour – March 22, 2025 – 8:30 pm – 9:30 pm – *Create The Biggest Hour For Earth*

WHEREAS climate change is the biggest environmental threat to our plant and the Town of The Blue Mountains declared a Climate Emergency in 2019; and,

WHEREAS Earth Hour is an initiative organized by the world Wildlife Fund that began in Sydney, Australia in 2007 and has grown into a global event that is observed by more than 192 countries and over 1.3 billion people worldwide; and,

WHEREAS Earth Hour encourages individuals, businesses and governments around the world to turn off all non-essential lights for one hour on Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. local time; and,

WHEREAS the goal of Earth Hour is to demonstrate that individual action can help positively impact our planet by raising awareness and sparking global conversations on protecting nature, tackling the climate crisis and working together to shape a brighter future for us all; and,

WHEREAS Earth Hour can educate the community on the threat of climate change, and what each individual and business can do to make a difference every day; and to get as many individuals, households and businesses as possible to turn off their lights as a symbolic statement that now is the time to take action on climate change; and,

AND WHEREAS the residents of The Town of The Blue Mountains can unite with the rest of the world and spend 60 minutes doing something positive for our planet whether it is by picking up garbage at a park, cooking dinner with sustainable ingredients, planting a tree, or getting together for an Earth Hour event with friends and family, all Blue Mountains' residents can join to *Create The Biggest Hour for Earth*;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of The Town of The Blue Mountains hereby PROCLAIMS the hour between 8:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. local time on Saturday, March 22, 2025 to be Earth Hour in the Town of The Blue Mountains and encourages all Town of The Blue Mountains' residents to participate in this global initiative to demonstrate their commitment to finding solutions to climate change by turning off all non-essential lighting during this time period