

# Proclamation Of the City of New Haven

Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Earth Day  
Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020

**Whereas**, on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1970, the world joined together for the first time as a planet to celebrate Earth Day. Now fifty years later, more than one hundred and ninety countries celebrate this call to care for our only planet, our only home.

**Whereas**, Monday of this week was 148<sup>th</sup> Arbor Day, and we normally commemorate these moments by planting a tree, but given that we are in the midst of a pandemic, this is not possible but we can plant the seeds of togetherness, kindness and community spirit.

**Now, therefore**, do I, as Mayor of the City of New Haven hereby proclaim the 50<sup>th</sup> celebration of

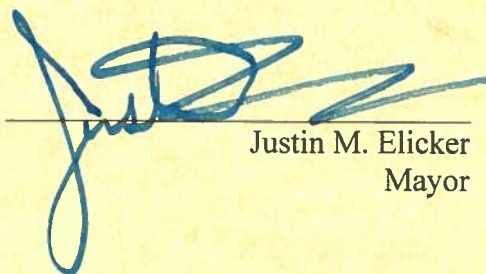
## Earth Day

We at the City of New Haven are reminded now more than ever of the many challenges our communities are facing. As the global pandemic continues to affect those most in need at a higher rate, we need to stand together to undo the inequities that are before us. Today is the 50<sup>th</sup> Earth Day. Let us all take a moment to think ahead, and decide now what we want the 75<sup>th</sup> and 100<sup>th</sup> Earth Days to look like for future generations. It is our moment now to address the changes in our environment and drastic climate change, as we are all taking precautions to get through our own changing environment amidst this pandemic.

50 YEARS  
EARTH  
DAY 2020



**In testimony whereof**, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of the City of New Haven to be affixed. Dated at New Haven, Connecticut, this 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of April, in the year Two Thousand and Twenty.

  
Justin M. Elicker  
Mayor