

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, King County recognizes the natural environment as the foundation of a healthy society and a strong economy, and works with cities, community groups, businesses, and individuals to protect natural resources and maintain sustainable regional development; and
- WHEREAS, King County has established the nationally-recognized King County-Cities Climate Collaboration to chart a specific package of joint commitments to meet state and local targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions; and
- WHEREAS, King County's ambitious climate action plan provides a roadmap for reducing carbon pollution, increasing transit, protecting open spaces, improving recycling options, and preparing for climate change impacts; and
- WHEREAS, with care in how we use energy and water, investments in transit and trails, and small changes in our daily habits, we can forge a sustainable future for King County even as it experiences one of the highest growth rates in the nation; and
- WHEREAS, this County provides tools and resources to help residents combat climate change through energy-conscious choices, renewable energy use, making homes energy efficient, and choosing alternative sources of fuel and transportation; and
- **WHEREAS**, the 47th annual Earth Day celebration and King County's Earth Week activities and "1 Million Trees" campaigns celebrate science, showcase the value of tree planting and how simple earth-friendly actions can unleash a wave of positive change.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dow Constantine, Executive of King County, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2017 to be

Earth Action Day

in King County. I encourage all residents to join me in celebrating the earth, as we continue to build a thriving community of residents empowered for environmental protection.



Dow Constantine
King County Executive