

acknowledge and recognize the significant contributions that its residents, employees and partners give to the betterment of the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The work of more than 300 volunteers contributes approximately 4,000 hours annually in support of conservation and environmental education at the Tamarack Nature Center; and

WHEREAS, Their work supports nature center day camps, community science, maple tree sap to syrup, beekeeping, animal care, birdbox monitoring and bird banding, gardening, frog and toad monitoring, winter recreation, and special events including Earth Day and Trick-or-Treat; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated Dog Park Stewards volunteer approximately 5,000 hours annually across the four dog parks within Ramsey County; and

WHEREAS, More than 30 members of the Rain Gauge Network volunteer approximately 2,800 hours each year, reporting daily precipitation across Ramsey County, with some members having served for more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, Among our many dedicated volunteers, Amber Burnette spent countless hours over a six-year period completing bird banding with the Parks & Recreation department, which documented the return of bird species that coincide with habitat restoration efforts; Now, Therefore, Be It

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners declares April 21-27, 2024 as Volunteer Week in Ramsey County; and Be It Further

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners thanks all volunteers in Ramsey County for their service to the residents of Ramsey County.

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