

# THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF COURTENAY



## **PROCLAMATION**

### **2022 YEAR OF THE GARDEN and June 18, 2022 NATIONAL DAY OF THE GARDEN**

- WHEREAS** *The Canadian Garden Council has proclaimed 2022 as the Year of the Garden, to recognize the fact that over 83 per cent of Canadian households turned to some sort of gardening as a healthy diversion to the COVID-19 pandemic and to recognize the 100 year anniversary of the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association; and*
- WHEREAS** *the Comox Valley Horticultural Society and North Island Rhododendron Society are committed to celebrating the contribution of gardens and gardening for the development of our communities; and*
- WHEREAS** *gardens and gardening contribute to the quality of life in our communities, our climate, ecosystems and habitats, and create safe and healthy places where people can come together in the spirit of inclusivity and reconciliation; and*
- WHEREAS** *the City of Courtenay celebrates the important contribution of gardeners, our local gardening associations, horticultural professionals and local horticultural businesses which contribute to garden culture and experience of our municipality; and*
- WHEREAS** *the City of Courtenay is committed to being a **Garden Friendly City** supporting the development of its garden culture and is proud to sponsor the annual **Mile of Flowers** community plant-in event;*
- NOW THEREFORE** *I, Bob Wells, Mayor of the City of Courtenay, hereby proclaim 2022 as “**Year of the Garden**” and **June 18, 2022** as “**National Day of the Garden**” in the City of Courtenay.*



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Mayor Bob Wells