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5.2 Proclamation: National Day of the Honey Bee

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*Proclamation*  
*Day of the Honey Bee*  
*May 29, 2014*

- Whereas,* Clinton Shane Ekdahl has applied to Council to proclaim May 29, 2014 as Day of the Honey Bee and that this day serves the broader public interest;
- Whereas,* A third of all the food Mankind consumes exists because of the tireless work of Honey Bees and seventy percent of our food crops are pollinated and partially, if not completely, dependent upon this keystone species;
- Whereas,* Honey Bees are disappearing at alarming and unsustainable rates all over the world for reasons not fully explained by science; but with the most likely cause being pesticides;
- Whereas,* Survival of the Honey Bee is surely linked with our own;
- Whereas,* This issue transcends all trivial human barriers of nationality, language, skin color, income, identity, ability, disability, sexuality, gender, religion, age, politics or membership;
- Whereas,* 328 jurisdictions representing almost 30 percent of Canadians have already endeavored to support "Day of the Honey Bee;"
- Now Therefore,* I, \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor of \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby declare May 29, 2014 as "Day of the Honey Bee" and in issuing this proclamation, ask our citizens to recognise this day.

Official Municipal Seal.