



TOWN OF COMOX – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## PROCLAMATION Year of the Garden 2022

- WHEREAS** Communities in Bloom and “Fleurons du Québec” in collaboration with the Canadian Garden Council, invite all municipalities to celebrate the **Year of the Garden 2022**; and
- WHEREAS** the **Year of the Garden 2022** celebrates the Centennial of Canada’s horticulture sector; and
- WHEREAS** gardens and gardening contribute to the quality of life of our municipality, our climate action goals and create safe and healthy places where people can come together in the spirit of inclusivity and reconciliation; and
- WHEREAS** the **Year of the Garden 2022** will highlight and celebrate the important contribution of gardeners, our local gardening organizations, horticultural professionals and local horticultural businesses which contribute to garden culture and experience of our municipality; and
- WHEREAS** gardens and gardening have helped us face the challenges of the COVID pandemic.

### NOW THEREFORE,

- THAT** the Town of Comox **HEREBY PROCLAIMS 2022 as the Year of the Garden** in celebration of the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our municipality and the lives of our citizens in terms of health, quality of life and environmental challenges; and
- THAT** the **Saturday before Father’s Day, National Garden Day**, June 18, 2022, be recognize as **Garden Day in** the Town of Comox as a legacy of Canada’s **Year of the Garden 2022**; and
- THAT** the Town of Comox is committed to be a **Garden Friendly Town** supporting the development of its garden culture and is proud to have:
- replanted a green space at Dakota Place with native plants and
  - begun the development of a wildlife friendly habitat at the base of our heritage Willow in Marina Park.

*Dated at Town Hall, the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022*

**Mayor Russ Arnott**