ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK

WHEREAS, the beauty of Lexington-Fayette County’s natural resources - from the horse farms, to our streams and to the majestic Kentucky River - must be protected for future generations; and

WHEREAS, to sustain the precious land and water ways of our great city requires the stewardship of every person, as well as future generations; and

WHEREAS, stewardship is not possible without a strong sense of connection to the natural world and an understanding by our individual and collective responsibilities to protect it; and

WHEREAS, environmental education increases student engagement in science, improves student achievement in core subject areas, and increases student awareness about how they can help restore the health of the natural environment; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to engage individuals and organizations throughout our region to sustain a high quality of life through education, conservation, and the restoration and protection of natural resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Linda Gorton, Mayor of Lexington in the state of Kentucky, do hereby declare October 14-19, 2019, as

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK IN LEXINGTON.

MAYOR