



YEAR OF THE GARDEN 2022

WHEREAS the *Year of the Garden 2022* celebrates the Centennial of Canada's horticulture sector;

WHEREAS the Town of New Glasgow is a Bee City, and has formally committed to protect pollinators and local pollinator habitat;

WHEREAS gardens and gardening contribute to the quality of life of our municipality and create safe and healthy places where people can come together;

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 the experience of gardening of our municipality;

WHEREAS gardens and gardening have helped us face the challenges of the COVID pandemic;

WHEREAS Communities in Bloom, in collaboration with the Canadian Garden Council, invites all municipalities to celebrate the Year of the Garden;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the Town of New Glasgow 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, June 18 in 2022, be recognized as Garden Day in the Town of New Glasgow as a legacy of Canada's Year of the Garden 2022; and

THAT the Town of New Glasgow is committed to be a **Garden Friendly Town** supporting the development of its garden culture and is proud to have:

THAT the Town of New Glasgow will lead community engagement activities to encourage pollinator protection and support residents in planting native species through a seed giveaway;

THAT all municipalities across Canada be invited to proclaim 2022 to be the *Year of the Garden* in their respective municipalities, and that a copy of this resolution be provided to the FCM.

Mayor Nancy Dicks