



Office of the Mayor  
**CITY OF VANCOUVER**  
BRITISH COLUMBIA

# Proclamation

## "VANCOUVER SOIL DAY"

- WHEREAS Healthy soil is important for all living things and healthy soils sustain life and society; bringing us into connection with the land, and the Host Nations of Musqueam, Squamish and Tslil-Waututh;
- AND WHEREAS December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 is United Nations World Soil Day;
- AND WHEREAS Soil is essential for food security, food production, food waste reduction and composts; all of which are linked to the creation of a just and sustainable food system to which the City of Vancouver committed itself to in the 2013 Vancouver Food Strategy;
- AND WHEREAS The Vancouver Soil Celebration provides an opportunity for Vancouver residents to learn more about the role of soil in storing and filtering water, preventing erosion, cycling and storing carbon and providing for plant and animals;
- AND WHEREAS The Vancouver Soil Celebration is an opportunity for people of all ages to share knowledge and learn about upcoming academic and community-led research about sustainable soil management; and to acknowledge that soils are a solid ground for life, even in the city;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kennedy Stewart, Mayor of the City of Vancouver, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as

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in the City of Vancouver.

Kennedy Stewart  
MAYOR

