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The Parties Recognize:

- Nashville is a growing city striving to preserve its natural resources, minimize
 detrimental environmental impacts, ensure environmental inclusion and equity,
 while improving the quality of life for people and nature.
- Birds are excellent indicators of the overall health of our lands and waters and are an irreplaceable part of the natural systems of earth. Birds contribute aesthetically, culturally, scientifically, and economically to our city.
- Birds connect people to nature. When we conserve and improve bird habitat, reduce hazards to birds, and engage and educate about the importance of birds we are improving the quality of life for all people and communities in Nashville.
- Through partnerships and collaboration, we will work together to achieve the common goals outlined in the Nashville Bird Agenda.

We celebrate and acknowledge the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's designation for Nashville as an official Urban Bird Treaty City and recognize the importance of local efforts and partnerships to collectively achieve bird conservation and engagement throughout the city of Nashville.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

* By: Dr. Bill Uihlein Assistant Director for Conservation Science and Innovation City of Nashville By: John Cooper, Mayor Metropolitan Government of Nashville

Office of the Mayor

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NASHVILLE as a U.S. FISH and WILDLIFE SERVICE URBAN BIRD CITY

WHEREAS, Nashville strives to preserve its natural resources, minimize detrimental environmental impacts, and ensure environmental inclusion and equity, while improving the quality of life for people and nature; and

WHEREAS, migratory, wintering, and breeding birds are important indicators of the overall health of our lands and waters and are an irreplaceable part of the natural systems of the earth; and

WHEREAS, birds contribute aesthetically, culturally, scientifically, and economically to our city; and

WHEEAS, birds are often the most frequent connection people have to nature and when we conserve and improve bird habitat, reduce hazards to birds, and engage and educate about the importance of birds, we improve the quality of life for all people and communities in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County vow to work together through partnerships and collaboration to achieve the common goals outlined in the Nashville Bird Agenda.

NOW, THEREFORE I, John Cooper, nimh Mayor of the Metropolitan Government of Nasiville and Davidson County hereby proclaim on this day, May 13, 2023, cut commitment to work with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Serve and local partnerships to implement the Nasiville Urban Bird Treaty through awareness and education, reducing hazards to birds, and by conserving and restoring important habitast broughout the city of Nasiville.

Nashville Urban Bird Treaty

I have hereunto set my hand on this 13th day of May 2023

John Cooper