

TOWN OF FAIRFAX PROCLAMATION

DAY OF UKRAINIAN SOLIDARITY AND CALL FOR PEACE



WHEREAS, there are several wars going on today, the world seems more dangerous than ever – recognizing this danger (largely due to the war in Ukraine), the “Doomsday Clock” of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists was recently placed at 90 seconds to midnight, the closest to global catastrophe it has ever been; and

WHEREAS, the 24th of February 2023 marked the one-year anniversary of the Russian Federation’s and Vladimir Putin’s illegal invasion and occupation of Ukraine, entering its second year with no end in sight; and

WHEREAS, the Kremlin, as the aggressor, has committed gross violations of human rights and war crimes against the Ukrainian people – deaths and injuries to civilians have mounted daily; and

WHEREAS, the escalation of the war continues with NATO tanks, jets, munitions, drones, and with Allies providing training in war to Ukrainians met with in-kind Russian aid by China and Iran – coupled with threats of the use of tactical nuclear weapons by Russia; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fairfax has previously taken action, displaying the Ukraine flag in front of Town Hall in solidarity with the democratic nation-state and peaceful people of Ukraine for the month of April 2022, the start of this unjust war; and

WHEREAS, businesses in the Town of Fairfax, such as Fradelizio’s, have raised funds for groups providing relief to the millions to Ukrainian families displaced by Vladimir Putin’s unprovoked attack on the Eastern European nation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fairfax’s support for the democratic nation-state and people of Ukraine remains steadfast, we honor the Ukrainian people and their indomitable spirit of courage and resilience in the face of unjust aggression; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fairfax calls for a cease-fire and withdrawal of Russian troops to restore peace in Ukraine; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED, by the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax that May 3rd 2023 is our **Day of Ukrainian Solidarity and Call for Peace** in the Town of Fairfax, and we urge all Fairfaxians to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities to demonstrate their support for Ukraine and its people.



Signed and dated this 3rd day of May 2023,

AGENDA ITEM #5

Chance Cutrano, Mayor of Fairfax