- **WHEREAS,** the City of Dunwoody Sustainability Committee serves to encourage our community to reduce its environmental impact by providing assistance in public education and outreach on sustainability; and
- **WHEREAS,** at the core of this mission is our commitment to define sustainable practices and to demonstrate them by honoring those who are most dedicated to reducing our community's environmental footprint; and
- WHEREAS, the Sustainability Hero of the Year award, initiated in 2012, is given to one exemplary individual recognized by the Committee, Mayor and Council, and our City for their dedication, service, and leadership in sustainable practices; and
- **WHEREAS,** Laura Johnson has been a passionate and prominent leader in Dunwoody known for her generous donation of her time and expertise to promote sustainable actions in the Dunwoody community; and
- WHEREAS, Laura is devoted to promoting native ecosystems, bees, and beekeeping, and is a driving force behind Dunwoody's continued status as a Bee City USA;
- WHEREAS, Laura has been an organization and vocal advocate for Bee Dunwoody, which she co-founded and whose website she maintains, through fundraising efforts, including developing a yard sign program for residents; and
- WHEREAS, Laura provides public education for both adults and children around pollinators and the native plants on which they depend through her work with the Dunwoody's Beekeeping Club and through her observation beehive; and
- **WHEREAS,** Laura models leadership in the City of Dunwoody and consistently displays passion while sharing her knowledge about pollinators and native plants with others in order to improve awareness, attitudes and behavior to drive sustainable best practices in Dunwoody.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Lynn P. Deutsch, Mayor of Dunwoody, do hereby proclaim Monday, April 11, 2022, as Laura Johnson Day in honor of her service to the City of Dunwoody and the community as the 2021 Sustainable Hero.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dunwoody to be affixed this 11th day of April, 2022.

CITY OF DUNWOODY

Lynn P. Deutsch, Mayor

Attest:

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk