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Maple Ridge Thanks Volunteers for Investing in the Community

Maple Ridge, BC: In recognition of National Volunteer Week, Mayor Ruimy took the opportunity to thank volunteers for their contributions to Maple Ridge at Tuesday's Council Committee of the Whole meeting.

"On behalf of Council, I want to take a moment to thank everyone in Maple Ridge who invests their time, to make our community a great place to live," said Mayor Ruimy. "The 2023 theme 'Volunteering Weaves Us Together' recognizes our volunteers as incredible community builders that help create connections that make us strong and resilient."

Volunteers are an essential part of the vibrancy of the City of Maple Ridge. They provide much-needed support in recreational programming, crime prevention, environmental programs, festivals, emergency support services, youth services and much more. Thousands of people also share their time and talents to support causes, such as raising money for charities, helping school Parent Advisory Councils, supporting youth and adult sports, arts groups or a neighbour who needs a helping hand.

"I've said it before, and it bears repeating, while Maple Ridge is renowned for our natural setting, our superpower is the dedicated and passionate volunteers. Thank you for all you do to make our community a better place for everyone," added Mayor Ruimy.

National Volunteer Week runs from April 16 to 22 recognizing the importance of volunteering in strengthening the vibrancy and fabric of a community.

Celebrate Volunteers at Earth Day in Memorial Peace Park

As part of the Earth Day event taking place on April 22 (hosted by the Ridge Meadows Recycling Society), the City will be in the park celebrating volunteers and providing information about upcoming volunteer opportunities. Stop by City tent for a free treat and to find an opportunity that meets your passion and talent.

For full event details, visit www.mrearthday.ca.

In recognition of the week, Ridge Meadows RCMP is highlighting volunteers that have dedicated their time supporting the successful delivery of community policing programs. Follow the Ridge Meadows RCMP social channels to learn more about their contributions and volunteer opportunities.

For more information about volunteer opportunities with the City, visit www.mapleridge.ca/volunteer.