Attachment-1 Resolution Certifying the City of Guelph a Bird Friendly City

Bird Friendly City resolution for the City of Guelph for approval by City Council

WHEREAS the goal of the Bird Friendly City certification program is to protect birds and bird habitat;

THAT bird populations in North America have experienced dramatic declines due to habitat fragmentation, habitat loss, pesticide use, predation by domestic cats, collision with windows and climate change, with implications for the viability of bird populations and biodiversity; and

THAT the City, organizations, community groups and the residents of Guelph support birds and bird habitat on public and private land; and

THAT supporting birds and bird habitat fosters environmental awareness and increases engagement among community stewards; and

THAT by becoming a certified Bird Friendly City, existing initiatives can be highlighted and organizations and community groups can be further engaged to promote the protection of biodiversity in Guelph; and

THAT Staff be authorized to submit Attachment-2 City of Guelph Bird Friendly City Application to Nature Canada to certify the City of Guelph a Bird Friendly City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Read, approved and adopted this

THAT the City accepts the certification and commits to Nature Canada's Bird Friendly City certification program.