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Mayor Wild Asks Residents to Take Water Conservation Pledge

Westland, MI (March 8, 2021) - Mayor Wild and the City of Westland are joining other mayors and communities across the nation in asking residents to make a long-term commitment to manage water resources more wisely. Municipal leaders are asking their constituents to take part in the annual ***Wyland National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation***.

This annual challenge takes place from April 1 through April 30 and is a non-profit national community service campaign that encourages leaders to inspire their residents to make a series of simple pledges at www.mywaterpledge.com. Pledges include commitments to use water more efficiently, reduce pollution and save energy.

“As a leader committed to efficient use of the natural resources, I support the mission on the Mayor’s Challenge for Water Conservation, which is in line with the ***City of Westland’s Mission: Green initiative***. I encourage all Westland residents to participate in this year’s challenge, which will demonstrate and renew our commitment to sustainability,” commented Mayor William R. Wild.

Last year, residents from over 3,800 cities in all 50 U.S. states pledged to reduce their annual consumption of fresh water by 3 billion gallons, reduce waste sent to landfills by 80 million pounds, and prevent more than 177,000 pounds of hazardous waste from entering watersheds. The Challenge goes beyond recent drought issues and looks at the ways our water use will affect the future of our communities – from how we grow food, to reducing polluted runoff.

My Water Pledge is a friendly competition between cities across the United

States to see who can be the most “water-wise.” Mayors nationwide challenge their residents to conserve water, energy and other natural resources on behalf of their city through a series of informative, easy-to-use pledges online.

“Westland residents have always shown an incredible passion for green practices and conservation. I am confident our residents will show up and prove that we are one of the most environmentally conscious communities around.”

To Join the Westland team [click here](#) and when asked about a referral for the team please insert our Parks and Recreation Director’s email – Kmulligan@cityofwestland.com If residents have further questions or want to get more involved in the Volunteer Water Project, please reach out to Kyle Mulligan at (734)-722-7620 or email KMulligan@cityofwestland.com

About the Wyland Foundation

Founded in 1993 by environmental artist Wyland (best known for his series of 100 monumental marine life murals), the Wyland Foundation, a 501c3 non-profit organization dedicated to promoting, protecting, and preserving the world's ocean, waterways, and marine life. The foundation encourages environmental awareness through community events, education programs, and public art projects. www.wylandfoundation.org

For more information, please call (734) 467-3200.

Westland, Michigan is the state's 10th largest municipality, with a population of over 84,000.

Westland has been recognized as one of 24/7 Wall Street's America's Best 50 Cities to Live, offering residents and visitors an ideal blend of single – family affordable homes, apartments and condominiums, great schools, and access to numerous outdoor activities. Public safety is delivered by full-service, professional law enforcement and firefighting personnel.

Westland is well known as a premier destination for shopping and dining in Wayne County with hundreds of shops and restaurants anchored by the Westland shopping Center, one of the country's original four regional malls.

The City is served by two public school districts; Wayne-Westland Community Schools serving 12,000 youth was recently named one of the best schools in Michigan by WXYZ-TV and is the proud recipient of 14 Golden Apple and two Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School Awards. Livonia Public Schools, educating nearly 15,000 students, is proud of their MEAP/MME scores that exceed State averages and the district has also earned Golden Apple and Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School awards.

The City provides competitive incentives for those who are interested in investing in Westland, making it one of the hottest investment markets in the region. Westland's Fast-Track to Business Team, which consists of key decision makers who work diligently to “cut the red tape” and expedite the approval process for new business development.