



**CITY OF ARDEN HILLS  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-012**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING NO MOW MAY**

**WHEREAS**, pollinator populations are threatened due to many factors, including habitat loss and pesticide use; and

**WHEREAS**, pollinators serve a necessary role as pollinators of many plants, including agricultural plants such as many fruits, vegetables, and nuts; and

**WHEREAS**, early season food sources are necessary for pollinators; and

**WHEREAS**, reducing the amount of mowing during the early growing season can increase available floral resources for forage; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Arden Hills encourages the use of pollinator friendly lawn care practices; and

**WHEREAS**, No Mow May is an initiative that encourages property owners to limit lawn mowing during the month of May.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Arden Hills, Minnesota, recognizes No Mow May to create additional early season food and habitat for pollinators and other insect species in lawns and encourages property owners to refrain from mowing during the month of May. The enforcement of City Code Chapter 6 relating to Nuisances and Offenses shall temporarily be suspended from May 1st to May 31<sup>st</sup> for residences and businesses, permitting all property owners who wish to participate in this initiative to voluntarily delay mowing until June, which may result in lawn height exceeding the established ordinance of eight inches. Properties will have until June 10<sup>th</sup> to bring their property back into conformance with City Code. The Minnesota State Mandate regarding the management of noxious weeds will continue to be enforced.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARDEN HILLS THIS 13TH  
DAY OF MARCH, 2023.**

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David Grant, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Julie Hanson, City Clerk