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Proclamation for Greenbelt 10th Anniversary -Recognizing Tom & Rosanne Bloomer

PROCLAMATION
Greenbelt 10th Anniversary
of Farmland Preservation
March 21, 2016

- WHEREAS, The City of Ann Arbor voters approved the Open Space and Parkland Preservation millage in November, 2003 by an overwhelming margin creating a thirty year millage at .5 mil tax levy; and
- WHEREAS, Since its inception the Ann Arbor Greenbelt has acquired 45 agricultural easements totaling over 5000 acres; and
- WHEREAS, The first Greenbelt agricultural conservation easement was completed on March 20, 2006 by Tom and Rosanne Bloomer on their 152.3 acres farm in Webster Township; and
- WHEREAS, Tom Bloomer served on the Ann Arbor Greenbelt Advisory Commission and currently serves on Webster Township Farmland and Open Space Preservation Board as the farmer representative; and
- WHEREAS, Rosanne Bloomer worked for many years in agricultural financial services, and in that capacity encouraged farmers to consider agricultural easements; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Ann Arbor appreciates and celebrates the dedication of the Tom and Rosanne Bloomer to the long-term preservation, protection and management of productive farmland and the rural beauty which is part of the natural historic character of the Ann Arbor community.
- NOW THEREFORE, I, Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, in recognition of their leadership in farmland preservation, do hereby proclaim a celebration of Tom and Rosanne Bloomer, who, granted the City its first conservation easement to the Ann Arbor Greenbelt Program.

I hereby set my hand and seal
this 21st day of March, 2016

Christopher Taylor, Mayor

