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Cities4Forests c/o World Resources Institute 10 G Street NE, Suite 800 Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Cities4Forests Secretariat,

The City of Salem is pleased to be a founding member of Cities4Forests.

The City of Salem recognizes the multitude of benefits that trees and forests can provide to urban residents and the role cities can play to help conserve, restore, and sustainably manage forests. As such, we support the goals and objectives of Cities4Forests. We understand that this program is voluntary and is intended to complement our existing programs and projects that enhance and improve Salem's urban forest. We look forward to working with Cities4Forests in advancing our goals, enhancing our ambitions, and spotlighting our successes.

The City of Salem's Public Works Department, under which are the Urban Forestry, Community Forestry, Park and Natural Resource Planning, Park Operations, Stormwater, and other tree-related programs, will be the lead agency. Our point of contact for Cities4Forests will be Patricia Farrell, Parks and Natural Resources Planning Manager in the Public Works Department.

We hereby give you authorization to list the City of Salem, Oregon, as a founding member of Cities4Forests. We understand that the Cities4Forests partnership will be publicly launched at the Global Climate Action Summit on or around September 12, 2018, in San Francisco, California, and that our city name will be listed.

We look forward to working together.

Sincerely,

Chuck Bennett Mayor

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