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P R O C L A M A T I O N

Supporting Wyland Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation

WHEREAS, the City of Crystal and the State of Minnesota continue to explore ways to better manage residential consumption of water and power and to encourage residents to care for our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, cities can engage in efforts to encourage their communities, as well as neighboring cities, to become better environmental stewards; and

WHEREAS, the Wyland Mayor's Challenge, in association with the Wyland Foundation, the U.S. EPA's WaterSense Program, the U.S. Forest Service, NOAA, Toyota, WaterPik, and Rainbird is a healthy, non-profit competition for cleaner communities and a water use and pollution reduction competition between our cities; and

WHEREAS, with the encouragement of their Mayors, residents may register their participation in their city's Challenge, online, by making simple pledges to decrease their water usage and to reduce pollution for the period of one year, thereby assisting their cities to apply State and Federal water conservation strategies and to target mandated reductions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ReNae J. Bowman, as Mayor of the City of Crystal, do hereby proclaim March 30 – April 30, 2012, as the time for Crystal residents to take the "Wyland's Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation" by making a series of online pledges at www.mywaterpledge.com to reduce their impact on the environment and to see immediate savings in their energy bills.

Dated this 3rd day of April, 2012.

ReNae J. Bowman, Mayor