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TO: Damon Connolly, President
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FROM: Dennis Rodoni, Supervisor, District Four

RE: A Resolution Recognizing International Migratory Bird Day
(May 12) and Bird Nesting Protections

Dear Colleagues,

Please join me and Supervisor Sears and support this resolution to recognize May 12, 2018 as International Migratory Bird Day, which urges citizens to celebrate and support efforts to protect and conserve migratory birds, their nests and their habitats in our community and the world at large.

This year is the 100th anniversary of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA), passed by Congress in 1918 to protect migratory bird species, and, as you know, it is currently being threatened by actions taken at the federal level. Therefore, it is more important than ever that, at a local level, we show our support for these types of environmental protections.

We have been working closely with environmental organizations, our Parks and Public Works departments, and other agencies to raise awareness of the importance of creating best practices for vegetation management to help assure the health of nesting birds and their habitats. Given the ever-increasing threat of wildfires and the need to reduce fuel loads in our communities, we appreciate the extra effort needed to avoid negatively impacting nesting birds and their critical habitats.

Thank you,

Dennis Rodoni,
Supervisor District Four

Kate Sears
Supervisor District Three