PROCLAMATION

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- **WHEREAS,** the City of Dunwoody Sustainability Commission serves to encourage our community to reduce its environmental impact by providing assistance in public education and outreach on sustainability; and
- **WHEREAS,** at the core of this mission is our commitment to define sustainable practices and to demonstrate them by honoring those who are most dedicated to reducing our community's environmental footprint; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Sustainable Hero of the Year award is given to one exemplary individual, initiated in 2012, recognized by the Commission, Mayor and Council, and our City for their dedication, service, and leadership in sustainable development; and
- WHEREAS, Tom Lambert, an alumnus of the Sustainability Commission, led the charge to initiate a Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program in Dunwoody by applying for and receiving a grant that was instrumental in catalyzing the efforts at Kingsley Elementary; and
- WHEREAS, Tom Lambert formed a SRTS Committee to evaluate the walking environment and develop a plan for safe walking and bicycling at Kingsley Elementary. The Committee worked with school administrators and neighbors to create a formal procedure that has reduced traffic in front of the school, eliminated parking and curbside drop-off in front of the school and made all traffic one-way during carpool hours; and
- WHEREAS, Kingsley officially kicked off "Walking Wednesdays" in April 2009, and began its relationship with the Dunwoody Police Department as an active partnership to ensure safety for the "walking school buses." Under Tom's leadership, Austin Elementary, Vanderlyn Elementary, Dunwoody Elementary, and Chesnut Elementary have each established a SRTS program. On May 5, 2010, all schools participated in the inaugural "Dunwoody Walk to School Day"; and
- WHEREAS, Tom Lambert's continued commitment to the Safe Routes to School Program has improved the quality of life for citizens of Dunwoody, provided a valuable service for school walkers, and developed a participatory educational program for the City's youth.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Michael Davis, Mayor of Dunwoody, do hereby proclaim Monday, January 14, 2013, as Tom Lambert Day in honor of his service to the City of Dunwoody and the community as the 2012 Sustainable Hero.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dunwoody to be affixed this 14th day of January, 2013.

CITY OF DUNWOODY

Michael G. Davis, Mayor

Attest:

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk