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### **EMC Selects Brian Sheldon for Earth Day Award 2020**

**Geneseo, NY, April 21, 2020** — The Livingston County Environmental Management Council (EMC) has chosen Brian Sheldon to receive this year's Livingston County Earth Day Award. This annual award is presented to an individual or organization to recognize outstanding achievements that are directed to help preserve, improve, or educate about the Livingston County environment. Earth Day is a global event, it is celebrated on April 22, and this year marks the 50th anniversary.

The EMC recognizes Mr. Sheldon for more than 10 years of exemplary service as a Science teacher with Livonia High School, his dedication to student education, and his innovative and engaging science curriculum. The EMC notes Mr. Sheldon's creative approach to bringing the real-world experience to his students, from tours in the community, to research projects in the field, to clean up events in the community. Mr. Sheldon is known by his peers as a catalyst for learning, an agent for change, and an outstanding educator.

Encouraging students to learn within and beyond the classroom is a hallmark of Mr. Sheldon's dynamic approach to connecting his students with their social and natural communities. Working with his students, Mr. Sheldon has created new opportunities, such as a recycling program, an environmental club and a college level course, Global Environment, with SUNY School of Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF) on the Livonia campus. As part of the ESF course, students complete college level caliber of work, including detailed field work and community presentations. The work of Mr. Sheldon and his students is highly regarded in our community.

The Environmental Management Council commends Mr. Sheldon for his contributions to the science and environmental education of our youth and are pleased to select him as the recipient of the Earth Day Award, on the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day. It is anticipated that the Award Presentation at the Livingston County Board of Supervisors meeting will be announced at a later date.

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