

OLD-GROWTH FOREST NETWORK CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

RECOGNIZING that less than 1% of the eastern US forests and less than 5% of the western US forests have remained undisturbed long enough to develop old-growth characteristics;

RECOGNIZING that many species of plants, animals, and fungi are most successful in older forests;

RECOGNIZING that older forests are best at purifying the air and water, and at creating fertile soil;

RECOGNIZING that most humans consider older forests to be among the most beautiful forests & will travel to see them;

RECOGNIZING that ecotourism is economically beneficial for nearby communities;

RECOGNIZING that all people, and especially the younger generations, need contact with natural areas;

THEREFORE the Old-Growth Forest Network works to identify one forest in each US county that will remain forever preserved and open to the public for recreation during daylight hours.

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO CONFIRM THAT:

Monticello Park

ON June 9, 2022 IN City of Alexandria IN THE STATE OF Virginia
IS HEREBY OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED AS PART OF THE OLD-GROWTH FOREST NETWORK.

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