## Annual Harvest Week

Sunday, October 1, 2023 to Saturday, October 7, 2023

## Join the Municipality of Skagway in celebrating the 2023 Harvest Week.

During Harvest Week, citizens are encouraged to harvest fruits and vegetables on their property, and offer assistance to citizens who are unable to harvest from their own trees and gardens. (always seek permission before harvesting on other people's property)

The Municipality of Skagway encourages citizens to learn about Skagway's local harvest. Harvesting produce from your trees and gardens limits the amount of food wasted, and also minimizes produce available to local

wildlife.







Harvest and Share Your Bounty with the Community!



## MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY PROCLAMATION

## Proclaiming October 1<sup>st</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> as Harvest Week

**WHEREAS:** the Municipality recognizes the value and benefit of growing local produce in Skagway; and

**WHEREAS:** in the ten years that it has been in place, the Fruit and Nut Tree Planting Initiative has fostered the planting and maintenance of locally grown and harvested fruit; and

WHEREAS: the Fruit and Nut Tree Planting Initiative has facilitated the planting of 177 fruit and/or nut trees in Skagway; and

**WHEREAS:** the Municipality wishes to provide a venue through which the Skagway community can harvest and share its bounty; and

**WHEREAS:** declaring a Harvest Week will facilitate limiting the amount of fruit, nuts and garden produce that annually remains unharvested and therefore wasted, and also limits the amount of this produce available for harvesting by the local wildlife; and

**WHEREAS:** a Harvest Week will encourage planned community activities during which citizens will be able to come together to learn about and be motivated to harvest locally grown produce, and provide an opportunity for the community to assist in harvesting produce for citizens who are unable to harvest their own; and

**WHEREAS:** a Harvest Week will encourage citizens to focus on improving the self-sustainability of the community and to educate each other on sustainable practices, for the benefit of Skagway;

**WHEREAS:** variable weather, human activity, and access to food can cause changes in wildlife activity within the Borough, and the Mayors of future years may proclaim different Harvest Week dates as noted in their Mayor's Reports.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andrew Cremata, Mayor of the Municipality of Skagway, do hereby proclaim October 1<sup>st</sup> – 7th of each year as Harvest Week.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor ATTES Steve Burnham Jr, Borough Clerk