



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** in 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees and this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in the state of Nebraska; and
- WHEREAS,** 2017 is the 145th anniversary of the holiday and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and
- WHEREAS,** trees are a valuable natural resource that improves air and water quality, decreases energy costs, reduces storm water runoff, decreases soil erosion, provides habitat for wildlife, reduces noise levels, and adds to the natural beauty of the City; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Northglenn has been designated a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation for the past 26 years, and is committed to managing and enhancing urban forestry in our community by employing staff dedicated to the City's tree program, actively maintaining public trees, and providing education and resources to residents; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Northglenn will celebrate Arbor Day on April 19, 2017 with a tree planting event at Westview Elementary School in partnership with Adams 12 Five Star Schools to replace two trees damaged by a recent storm.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Joyce Downing, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, hereby proclaim April 19th, 2017 as:

ARBOR DAY

in the City of Northglenn, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day by supporting efforts to plant, maintain, and protect trees and woodlands to promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 10th day of April 2017.

JOYCE DOWNING
Mayor

