

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, 2023 is the 151st anniversary of the holiday and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn has been awarded the Tree City USA designation by the National Arbor Day Foundation for the past 32 years and is committed to continuing its tree-planting efforts.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, hereby proclaim April 28, 2023 as:

ARBOR DAY

in the City of Northglenn and urge all residents 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 24th day of April 2023.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY Mayor