



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, 2024 is the 152nd anniversary of Arbor Day, which is now observed throughout the nation and the world as a time-honored tradition that celebrates the importance of trees and encourages their planting, preservation, and care; and

WHEREAS, trees are vital to our environment as a valuable natural resource that improves air and water quality, decreases energy costs, reduces stormwater runoff, decreases soil erosion, reduces noise pollution, and provides habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are also great sources of joy: springtime buds predict the arrival of warmer days ahead; summer canopies create shade for relaxation and protection from ultra-violet rays; autumn leaves yield a variety of beautiful colors and piles for play; and winter touched branches provide a windbreak and paint picturesque scenes in Colorado's amazing landscapes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn has been designated a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation for the past 33 years, and will celebrate Arbor Day with a tree planting event at the Northglenn Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, we wish to reaffirm our commitment to environmental stewardship and acknowledge the invaluable contributions trees make to our overall quality of life.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, hereby proclaim April 26th, 2024 as:

ARBOR DAY

in the City of Northglenn and urge all residents to join in the observance by planting trees, participating in tree planting events, and committing to the continued care and conservation of these treasured assets.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 22nd day of April 2024.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

