



## 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
- WHEREAS,** this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in the state of Nebraska; and
- WHEREAS,** 2015 is the 143<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the holiday and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Northglenn has been designated a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation; and
- WHEREAS,** trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and
- WHEREAS,** trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and adding beauty to our communities; and
- WHEREAS,** trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

**NOW THEREFORE, I,** Joyce Downing, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, hereby proclaim April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as:

## ARBOR DAY

in the City of Northglenn, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day, to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 2015.

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JOYCE DOWNING  
Mayor

