

Proclamation

Whereas, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees called Arbor Day, which is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

Whereas, the City of Renton has been recognized as a Tree City USA since 2008 by the Arbor Day Foundation; and

Whereas, trees reduce soil erosion, produce life-giving oxygen, increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business districts, improve wildlife and fish habitats, and contribute many other benefits; and

Whereas, in 1970, Senator Gaylord Nelson introduced legislation designating a day in April as a national day to celebrate the earth, and called it Earth Day; and

Whereas, volunteers from neighborhoods, schools, businesses, and service clubs will help the City of Renton celebrate Arbor Day and Earth Day on Saturday, April 27, by planting street trees at Tiffany Park Elementary School to restore and beautify the urban forest;

Now, therefore, I, Denis Law, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim April 27, 2019, to be

Arbor Day / Earth Day

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all citizens to join me in this special observance.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 22nd day of April, 2019.

Denis Law, Mayor

City of Renton, Washington

