



Armondo Pavone Mayor

# 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 have the opportunity to help the City of Renton celebrate Arbor Day and Earth Day this year at a city-sponsored event in Maplewood Park on April 23, 2022, and city staff will help mark the occasion by assisting with tree planting to help restore and beautify the urban forest;

*Now, therefore*, I, Armondo Pavone, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim April 23, 2022, to be

## *Arbor Day / Earth Day*

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all citizens to observe the occasion and join in or participate in their own way and consider planting trees where they live.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 18th day of April, 2022.

  
Armondo Pavone, Mayor  
City of Renton, Washington

