



Proclamation

*Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County, Florida*

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WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, 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, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce 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 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.

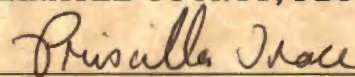
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NATIONAL ARBOR DAY

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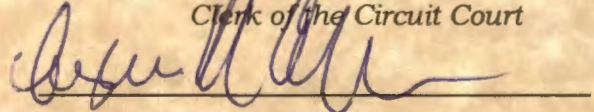
ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 24th day of April 2018.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**



Priscilla Trace, Chairman

ATTEST: *Angelina Colonnese*
Clerk of the Circuit Court





4/24/18

April 24, 2018 - Regular Meeting
Agenda Item #8

Subject

National Arbor Day - April 27, 2018

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Board of County Commissioners

Action Requested

Adopt Proclamation designating April 27, 2018, as "National Arbor Day" in Manatee County, Florida.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Background Discussion

In 1872, Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska and is now observed throughout the nation and the world.

County Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Explanation of Other

Reviewing Attorney

N/A

Instructions to Board Records

None.

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A

Attachment: [Arbor Day Proclamation.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Arbor Day Nat Agenda County 2018.pdf](#)



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NATIONAL ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

Friday, April 27, 2018 at 10:15 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.



Join Manatee County Government and Keep Manatee Beautiful in Celebrating National Arbor Day 2018

Celebration Agenda for each location

10:15 a.m. Manatee County Government will be enhancing Coquina Public Beach with a sabal palm in the North Parking Lot on Gulf Drive just north of the handicap areas by the bus loop.

12:00 p.m. (pending approval) Manatee County Government will be planting a variety of tree types in the medians of El Conquistador Parkway to replace those removed when Florida Power & Light Company installed improved utility poles. Parking is available at Wagner Realty, 3403 El Conquistador Pkwy.

Welcome and Arbor Day Proclamation:

Manatee County Commissioners

Florida Forest Service Statement & Description of Trees:

*Forest Area Supervisor Mike Keegan
Senior Forester Eric Strickland*

Statement from Manatee Co. Environmental Lands Management and Acquisition Committee:

Chairman and Members

Statement from Keep Manatee Beautiful

Board of Directors and Executive Director Jennifer Hoffman

Statement from Manatee Co. Departments:

*Property Management Department Representative
Public Works Department Representative*

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