

Proclamation

City of Edmonds • Office of the Mayor

ARBOR DAY 2022

WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed that a special day be designated for the purpose of planting trees, and this holiday, now called Arbor Day, is observed throughout the nation and the world, and in ninety-one communities throughout Washington State; and

WHEREAS, 2022 commemorates the 150th anniversary of Arbor Day and by reciting an official Arbor Day proclamation, public officials demonstrate their support in completing the annual requirements for maintaining Edmonds' Tree City USA status; and

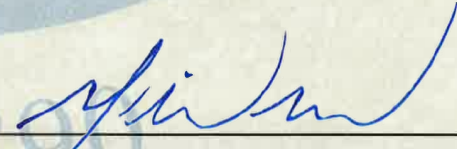
WHEREAS, our urban forest, consisting of trees in parks, natural areas, downtown, in yards and along streets, contributes to community character, fosters civic pride, provides recreational opportunities, and enhances the economic vitality of business areas, making Edmonds a desirable place to live, work, play and visit; and

WHEREAS, trees lessen the impacts of urbanization, provide calming and inspiring surroundings and contribute many environmental and human health benefits through carbon sequestration, improved air quality, stormwater mitigation, moderated temperatures and by providing wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, because fall is an ideal time to plant trees, the Citizens' Tree Board is distributing about 70 trees in a variety of sizes and species at the Edmonds Museum Farmer's Market on October 1;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Nelson, Mayor, do hereby proclaim October 1, 2022 as Arbor Day in Edmonds and urge all citizens to plant, maintain, and preserve trees throughout our community as an investment in a healthy and sustainable future for all of us.

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Mike Nelson, Mayor ~ September 27, 2022