

Office of the Mayor
City of High Point
North Carolina

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, trees are a precious natural resource that improve the appearance of our community, increase the value of property, moderate air temperature, lower energy costs, reduce soil erosion and storm water runoff, and produce life-giving oxygen; and

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 special day, known as Arbor Day, is now celebrated throughout the nation and world; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina has determined that Arbor Day shall be celebrated annually on the first Friday following the fifteenth of March; and

WHEREAS, the City of High Point has created an urban forestry program to conserve, protect, and maintain trees in city spaces.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM S. BENCINI, JR., MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 17, 2017 AS:

ARBOR DAY FOR THE CITY OF HIGH POINT

and call upon all citizens of our City to participate in ceremonies and activities to preserve and enhance our community's urban forest for the benefit of all residents and visitors.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this 6th day of March, 2017.

William S. Bencini, Jr.
William S. Bencini, Jr., Mayor