

PROCLAMATION

Arbor Day

WHEREAS, in 1872, Arbor Day, a special day set aside for the planting of trees, was first celebrated in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Tigard's urban forest of public and private parks and greenways is part of a larger ecology that spans from mountains to ocean and is integral to our region's water quality; and

WHEREAS, our urban forest includes a diversity of trees that grace our city streets, parks and greenways, provide habitat for wildlife, soften hardscapes, clean the air, protect water resources, and ensure that everyone can experience natural beauty where we live, work and recreate; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tigard recognizes that our urban forest is a necessity and is an integral part of the city's infrastructure and ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, we are committed to provide resources to maintain and enhance the urban forest; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages and backgrounds, including citizens, civic organizations, businesses and city agencies, have formed partnerships to participate actively in the stewardship and caretaking of Tigard's urban forest; and


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, CRAIG DIRKSEN, Mayor of the City of Tigard, Oregon, do hereby proclaim April 10, 2008 to be:

ARBOR DAY

in Tigard and encourage people throughout the entire city to become more involved with the planting and stewardship of the urban forest throughout the year of 2008.

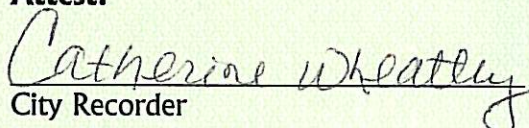
Dated this 8th day of April 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tigard to be affixed.



Craig E. Dirksen, Mayor
City of Tigard

Attest:


Catherine Wheatley
City Recorder

