

RESOLUTION NO. 16 - 2354

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ADOPTING A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE'S COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT; PROCLAIMING APRIL 17 IN THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE AS "ARBOR DAY"; PROVIDING APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**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 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 life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, as trees grow, they help stop climate change by removing carbon dioxide from the air, storing carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere; 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 the business areas, and beautify our community; and

**WHEREAS**, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, hereby proclaims April 17 as "Arbor Day," and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission urges all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and natural habitats; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission urges all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** The above and foregoing are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2. Approval and Authorization.** The Town Commission approves and authorizes the Town Manager and/or his designee to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution to proclaim April 17 as "Arbor Day" in the Town of Surfside (Attachment "A").

**Section 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

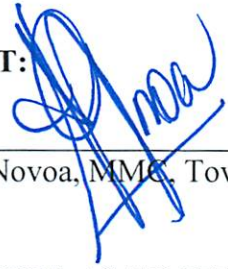
Motion by Commissioner Karukin.

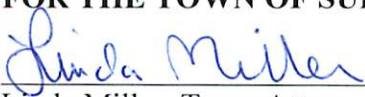
Second by Commissioner Olchyk.

**FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION**

Commissioner Barry Cohen	yes
Commissioner Michael Karukin	yes
Commissioner Marta Olchyk	yes
Vice Mayor Eli Tourgeman	yes
Mayor Daniel Dietch	yes

  
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Daniel Dietch, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Sandra Novoa, MMC, Town Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:**  
  
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Linda Miller, Town Attorney



### *Proclamation*

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*Whereas, the Town Commission urges all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.*

*Now, therefore, the Town of Surfside, does hereby proclaim April 17 as "Arbor Day," and we call upon all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and natural habitats.*

*In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016.*

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*Daniel Dietch, Mayor  
Town of Surfside, Florida*