



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION
OF MARCH 7TH, 2012
AS ARBOR DAY**

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County has a long and prosperous history based upon agriculture and the growing of both annual and perennial plants for products, as well as landscape benefits; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Santa Barbara County treasure the valuable landscape trees on both public and private lands, and consider them to be essential living features that contribute to their quality of life experience; and

WHEREAS, the natural beauty of our urban forest and county landscapes, as well as the enhanced beauty of the planted and developed landscape environments, together add to the multiple values that draw visitors and new residents to one of California's most beautiful Counties; and

WHEREAS, four of the largest incorporated cities and Santa Barbara County have, for many years, been proud and active participants in the "Tree City U.S.A." program, sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation; and

WHEREAS, as governing stewards, responsible for the planting and care of all trees growing on County public lands, and for promoting and encouraging conservation of valuable trees growing on private lands;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, together with the Public Works and Parks Departments, proclaim Wednesday, March 7th, 2012, as ARBOR DAY throughout the County, and encourage all citizens to recognize the multitude of benefits our community derives from the conscious acts of planting and properly maintaining landscape trees, and request that all institutions of primary and secondary education throughout the County, seek ways to observe this important day, and to teach students the value of trees in our lives.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 6th Day of March, 2012.



ATTEST:

Chandra Walker
Clerk of the Board

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Supervisor - 1st District

Grant Wolf

Supervisor - 2nd District

Robert Fark

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