

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – APRIL 15, 2014

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATION – ARBOR DAY – APRIL 25, 2014

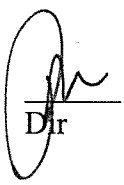
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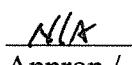
COMMENT: At its meeting of October 1, 2013, the Council amended the process by which proclamations are approved. The new process requires that all proclamations must be sponsored by one Council Member, after which the request is then placed on the Council's agenda for consideration and approval by a majority of the Council.

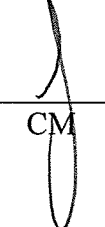
The Parks and Leisure Services Department has requested that the Council consider approval of a proclamation to recognize April 25, 2014, as Arbor Day. Vice Mayor Ward is sponsoring this proclamation request. If approved, the proclamation will be presented at the City's tree planting event on April 25, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider approval of the request to proclaim April 25, 2014, as Arbor Day.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Request for Proclamation

  
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Item No. 19



City of Porterville  
**REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATION**

Date of Request: 4/3/14  
 Name of Event/Individual: Arbor Day  
i.e. "Porterville Tourism Week", "Mr. John Doe"  
 Name of Sponsoring Organization: City of Porterville  
 Name of Contact Person: Donnie Moore  
 Address: 291 N. Main Street  
 Phone: 782-7536 FAX: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like the proclamation:  presented at a Council Mtg.  mailed  call for pick-up

Date(s) of Event: April 25, 2014 presented at Event

Date of Council Meeting to be presented, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Council meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month.)

Individual or representative attending Council Meeting to receive proclamation:  
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Please attach a sample of your proclamation, or the pertinent information needed to formulate your proclamation 3-4 weeks in advance. If assistance is needed, or if you need a sample provided, or to return this form, contact:

Office of City Clerk  
 291 North Main Street  
 Porterville, CA 93257  
 (559) 782-7464 / Fax (559) 782-7452

All requests require a sponsorship by a member of the Council prior to being placed on a City Council Agenda for consideration, and are subject to approval by a majority of the Council.

City Clerk's Section

Request Received: 4/3/14 Sponsored by: Ward Date: 4/3/14  
 Approved by Council: yes  no  Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Notification to Contact person done (date): \_\_\_\_\_ in writing  by phone   
 Items (s)  mailed \_\_\_\_\_  faxed \_\_\_\_\_  picked up \_\_\_\_\_  
 Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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. That day, 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 in our cities and towns help clean the air, conserve soil and water, moderate temperature and bring nature into our daily lives, and the Tree City USA designation recognizes the work of elected officials, staff and citizens who plant and care for the community forest; and

WHEREAS: The City of Porterville has been named a Tree City USA community by the National Arbor Day Foundation for the 21<sup>ST</sup> year in a row to honor its commitment to community forestry, now with over 14,000 City street trees within Porterville's 14.8 square miles.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cameron J. Hamilton, Mayor of the City of Porterville, on behalf of the Porterville City Council, do hereby proclaim April 25, 2014, as—

**"ARBOR DAY"**

in the City of Porterville, and urge all citizens to support efforts to care for our trees in the urban forest and to support our City's community forestry program. I further urge all citizens to participate in the Community Tree Planting to be held to commemorate this day.

PROCLAIMED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.