A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE NATIONAL RECOGNITION AS TREE CITY USA FOR THE TWENTIETH YEAR Resolution No. 152/2003-04

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Carrboro receives the national recognition as Tree City USA for the twentieth year.

This is the 4th day of May, 2004.

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March 19, 2004

The Honorable Michael Nelson Mayor of the City of Carrboro 301 West Main Street Carrboro, NC 27510

Dear Mayor Nelson,

Congratulations to Carrboro on being named as a 2003 Tree City USA!

This year's record number of Tree City USA communities shows a growing level of dedication and care for our urban forests. It shows the people of Carrboro value trees for the beauty, grace, comfort, and practical blessings they bring.

The trees in Carrboro help clean the air, conserve soil and water, and reduce heating and cooling costs by moderating temperatures. Tree City USA honors the countless men, women, and children in Carrboro who are working hard to ensure a greener, healthier tomorrow for us all.

Tree City USA is sponsored in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service. foresters are responsible for the presentation of the Tree City USA flag and other materials. We will forward your awards to Virginia Russell in your state forester's office. They will be coordinating the presentation with you. It would be especially appropriate to make the Tree City USA award a part of your Arbor Day ceremony.

Again, congratulations on receiving this national recognition for your tree-care program.

John Rosenow

Best regards

President

cc: G. Christopher Gerry

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For more information, contact John Rosenow, President or Gary Brienzo, Communications Manager at (402) 474-5655



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Carrboro Named Tree City USA

Carrboro has been named a Tree City USA by The National Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to its community forest. It is the twentieth year Carrboro has received this national recognition.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by The National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

Carrboro has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA: a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance.

"This year's record number of Tree City USA communities shows a growing level of dedication and care for our urban forests," said John Rosenow, president of The National Arbor Day Foundation. "It shows the people of Carrboro value trees for the beauty, grace, comfort, and practical blessings they bring.

"The trees in Carrboro help clean the air, conserve soil and water, and reduce heating and cooling costs by moderating temperatures," he added. "Tree City USA honors the countless men, women, and children in Carrboro who are working hard to ensure a greener, healthier tomorrow for us all."

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A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING ARBOR DAY

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 oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; 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 town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

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

WHEREAS, Carrboro has been recognized as a Tree City USA by The National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting ways.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael R. Nelson, Mayor of the Town of Carrboro, do hereby proclaim April 23rd, 2004 as **ARBOR DAY** in the Town of Carrboro, and urge all citizens to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and to support our city's urban forestry program. Further, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

This the 6th day of April 2004.

Michael R. Nelson, Mayor