



City of Takoma Park, Maryland Mayoral Proclamation

SUPPORTING ARBOR DAY 2022 IN TAKOMA PARK

WHEREAS, trees are an important part of the character of Takoma Park and provide many benefits to residents, such as improving air quality, reducing stormwater run-off, lowering summer temperatures, reducing energy use in buildings, removing air pollution, absorbing emissions that contribute to climate change, enhancing property values, improving human health, providing wildlife habitat and contributing to the beauty of our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, cities play a vital role in promoting and encouraging the protection and planting of trees and other environmentally sound practices; and

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park will be observing Arbor Day with a celebratory tree walk and community meet and greet on Saturday, April 23rd.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE STEWART, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, on behalf of the Council, residents and staff, do hereby proclaim support for Arbor Day and the urban forest in Takoma Park, and encourage residents to plant trees and help preserve the tree canopy.

Dated this 6th day of April, 2022.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kate Stewart", is written over a horizontal line.

**Kate Stewart
Mayor**