

# PROCLAMATION

**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 IS NOW OBSERVED THROUGHOUT THE NATION AND THE WORLD; AND

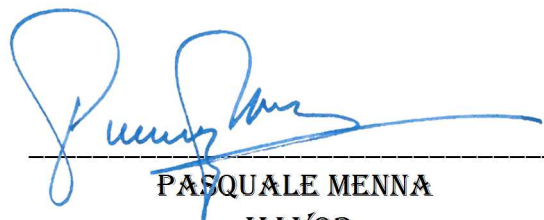
**WHEREAS,** TREES CAN REDUCE THE EROSION OF OUR PRECIOUS TOPSOIL BY WIND AND WATER, CUT HEATING AND COOLING COSTS, MODERATE THE TEMPERATURE, CLEAN THE AIR, PRODUCE LIFE-GIVING OXYGEN, AND PROVIDE HABITAT FOR WILDLIFE; AND

**WHEREAS,** TREES ARE A RENEWABLE RESOURCE GIVING US PAPER, WOOD FOR OUR HOMES, FUEL FOR OUR FIRES, AND BEAUTIFY OUR COMMUNITY; AND

**WHEREAS,** TREES, WHEREVER THEY ARE PLANTED, ARE A SOURCE OF JOY AND SPIRITUAL RENEWAL;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, PASQUALE MENNA, MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF RED BANK, NEW JERSEY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 30, 2021 AS A CELEBRATION OF ARBOR DAY IN THE BOROUGH OF RED BANK, AND I URGE ALL CITIZENS TO CELEBRATE ARBOR DAY AND TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO PROTECT OUR TREES AND WOODLANDS;

**FURTHER,** I URGE ALL CITIZENS TO PLANT TREES TO GLADDEN THE HEART AND PROMOTE THE WELL-BEING OF THIS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.



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PASQUALE MENNA  
MAYOR