

Monday, April 13, 2020

## **RESOLUTION NO. 69-20**

Offered by Councilor **MURPHY** Seconded by Councilor

**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 cost, 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 city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; **and**,

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

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

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge do hereby proclaim April 24, 2020 as "**ARBOR DAY**" in The Borough of Glen Ridge, Essex County, New Jersey.