

ARBOR DAY

WHEREAS, celebration of Arbor Day has been a tradition in our city for almost a century and has called public attention to the importance of tree planting and tree care as a means of sustaining one of our most precious natural resources; and

WHEREAS, trees, which are one of the most basic living things, have long been cherished symbols of endurance, longevity, and the propagation of life, and out of respect for our environment, we plant trees as a symbol of our confidence in and commitment to our future; and

WHEREAS, trees are vital year round to our economy as a means to enhance our streetscapes and landscapes in our city and attract our residents and tourists to our parks, historic sites and other outdoor resources; and

WHEREAS, during our observance of Arbor Day, we are reminded that trees are essential to a healthy and balanced environment, and they provide cleaner air, beauty and aesthetic character to our city; and

WHEREAS, the city of Glendale has been designated as a “Tree City USA” for the 14th consecutive year by the National Arbor Day Foundation for our commitment to improving the urban forestry program in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elaine M. Scruggs, Mayor of the City of Glendale, Arizona, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2010, as

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and encourage all of our citizens to take advantage of the benefits of trees in parks and other public areas in our community.

In Witness Thereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 22nd day of April 2010.