

The City of Richmond Heights

# Resolution

RESOLUTION NO.: 20-2009  
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Ursu and Members of Council

A Resolution Proclaiming April 24, 2009 as “Arbor Day” in  
The City of Richmond Heights and Expressing Appreciation to  
the Richmond Heights Garden Club for its Support of Arbor Day

Whereas, the last Friday in April has traditionally been proclaimed Arbor Day by The National Arbor Day Foundation; and

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. 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 reduce the erosion of precious topsoils by wind and water, reduce heating and cooling costs for buildings, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, provide habitat for wildlife and are a renewable resource providing humans with paper, building materials, fuel, and many other products; and

WHEREAS, trees in the City of Richmond Heights increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, beautify the community and continue to serve as a location of recreation and of rest and repose from the trials of daily life; and

WHEREAS, the Richmond Heights Garden Club, having just completed its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, has been an advocate for trees in the City and is donating a tree to the City on this Arbor Day; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond Heights, through its Mayor and City Council, desires to continue to support Arbor Day and the National Arbor Day Foundation’s tree planting programs and to acknowledge the contributions of the Garden Club;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The Mayor and this Council do hereby proclaim April 24, 2009 as “Arbor Day” in the City of Richmond Heights, Ohio, and urge all citizens to support efforts to care for trees and woodlands and to plant trees for the well being of present and future generations, and hereby proclaim their appreciation to the Richmond Heights Garden Club for its 40 years of service to the City and its donation of a tree this Arbor Day.

Section 2: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and upon the signature of the Mayor.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Daniel J. Ursu, Mayor

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Betsy Traben, Clerk of Council

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David H. Roche, President of Council

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