

Proclamation

- Whereas,** April 22, 2020 marks the 50th anniversary of the first Earth Day celebration, when events are held worldwide to demonstrate support for environmental protection; and
- Whereas,** April 24, 2020, marks the 148th anniversary of the first Arbor Day celebration, to encourage Americans to maintain and replenish our country's vast forests, orchards, and woodlands; and
- Whereas,** both Earth Day and Arbor Day are observed throughout the world as annual reminder of the ongoing need for environmental stewardship and sustainability efforts; and
- Whereas,** more than one billion people from over 192 countries now participate in Earth Day activities, making it the largest civic observance in the world; and
- Whereas,** the City of Alameda is helping protect our planet by planting trees that provide an essential habitat for California wildlife, are a valuable economic asset for residents and businesses, and play an important role in energy conservation, greenhouse gas emission sequestration, and pollutant removal; and
- Whereas,** the City of Alameda, our residents, organizations, and businesses have shown committed leadership to a sustainable environment and green economy, as expressed through the management of Alameda's Urban Forest as well as the goals of the General Plan, Climate Action and Resiliency Plan, Transportation Choices Plan, Zero Waste Plan, various ordinances and policies.

Now, therefore be it resolved, that I, Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, Mayor of the City of Alameda, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2020 as

Earth Day Alameda 2020

and April 24, 2020 as

Arbor Day Alameda 2020

and encourage everyone to recognize these important days.



Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
Mayor

