

PROCLAMATION



State of Florida
Collier County
City of Marco Island

A Proclamation Recognizing Arbor Day In the City of Marco Island

WHEREAS, in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to 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 be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing 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, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Marco Island, Florida, that April 24th of the year 2026 was hereby recognized as the 154th anniversary of Arbor Day. All citizens are urged to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and to plant trees to gladden the heart and to promote the well-being of future generations.

Darrin Palumbo, Council Chairman

ATTEST

Joan Taylor, City Clerk