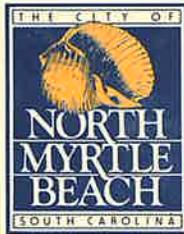


# Proclamation



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF HORRY  
CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH

## ARBOR DAY

**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**, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, trees are a renewable source 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**, community forests offer some protection to life and property from damage caused by low-category hurricanes and tropical storms; and

**WHEREAS**, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, MARILYN HATLEY, Mayor of the City of North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim December 6, 2024 as:

## ARBOR DAY

and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2024.

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Marilyn Hatley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Allison K. Galbreath, City Clerk

