

PROCLAMATION

Arbor Day
March 12, 2013

WHEREAS, Arbor Day Observances are held in California and in the City of Santa Barbara throughout the month of March; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara has been designated a "Tree City USA" for 33 years by the National Arbor Day Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara is proud of its more than 100 years of horticultural heritage and the health and diversity of its urban forest; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara maintains over 40,000 open space, park, and street trees and recognizes the importance of professional tree care and annual tree planting programs to sustain a livable community; and

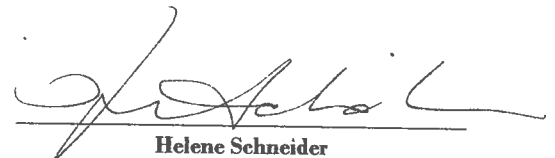
WHEREAS, Santa Barbara Beautiful contributes to the health of the City's urban forest through support for the street tree planting program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara and Santa Barbara Beautiful collaborate with local elementary schools to plant trees in observance of Arbor Day; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HELENE SCHNEIDER, by virtue of the authority invested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby acknowledge and proclaim March 12, 2013, as ARBOR DAY in the City of Santa Barbara and recognize the value that trees provide in enhancing the quality of our lives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 12th day of March, 2013.





Helene Schneider
Mayor