



# City of Bellevue | Proclamation

- Whereas:** The City of Bellevue has adopted the goal of integrating the natural and built environments to create a sustainable urban habitat; and
- Whereas:** Bellevue is dedicated to offering educational opportunities that provide greater environmental awareness, appreciation and stewardship of our natural, cultural and historical resources; and
- Whereas:** Many residents have chosen to live in of Bellevue due to its clean air, water and beautiful habitat for wildlife; and
- Whereas:** Trees are essential to the protection of salmon habitat because they provide shade along streams and preserve water quality by preventing erosion; and
- Whereas:** Trees in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and
- Whereas:** Wherever planted, trees are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and
- Whereas:** Bellevue, for the **thirtieth** consecutive year, has been recognized as a Tree City USA community by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting practices; and
- Whereas:** Bellevue is committed to working with its residents and businesses to help “build a healthy community” by planting trees.

**Now, therefore, I,** Lynne Robinson, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim the **26<sup>th</sup>** of **April 2021** as:

## **ARBOR DAY-EARTH DAY**

in Bellevue and encourage citizens to observe this time by reflecting on the irreplaceable role that nature plays in our lives.

**Further,** I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

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Lynne Robinson, Mayor  
City of Bellevue