



**PROCLAMATION**  
**ARBOR DAY**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023**

**PROCLAIMED**, Brentwood, Maryland recognizes that our trees are valuable protectors of our ecosystem. They provide a thriving habitat for animal and plant life; their roots curb soil erosion; their leaves freshen our air by providing oxygen; and their branches shelter us from pollutants, noise, sun, and the wind; and;

**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**, 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;

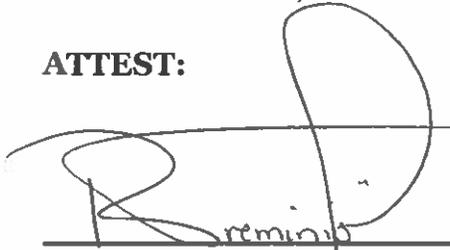
**WHEREAS**, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products, and;

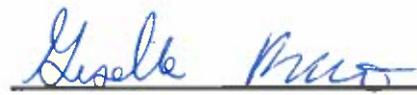
**WHEREAS**, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, beautify our community, and;

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

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Rocio Treminio-Lopez, Mayor of Brentwood, Maryland, do hereby proclaim **Friday, April 28, 2023**, as **ARBOR DAY**, and as we celebrate **150 years** of Arbor Day, we recognize that each new sapling planted connects us to our parks and wilderness areas here at home, as well as to the tropical forests and wetlands around the world.

**ATTEST:**

  
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**Rocio Treminio-Lopez, Mayor**

  
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**Giselle Richards, Town Clerk**



*Friday, April 29, 2022*