



City of North Port

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-R-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT SUPPORTING A CHANGE OF FLORIDA'S ARBOR DAY DATE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Section 683.04 designates the third Friday in January as Florida's Arbor Day, when the weather can be cold and many of the trees appear bare; and

WHEREAS, the current Arbor Day date makes tree plantings and celebrations at schools and other community events difficult and at times, underwhelming; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that a more appropriate date for Florida's Arbor Day should be sometime in early April, when the weather is beautiful and trees are in full bloom; and

WHEREAS, April would also be a more ideal time to hold Arbor Day events at our local schools because of the students' testing schedule.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS

The recitals outlined above are incorporated by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

SECTION 2. SUPPORT OF ARBOR DAY DATE CHANGE

The City of North Port hereby supports legislation changing the date of Arbor Day from the third Friday in January to early April.

SECTION 3. CONFLICTS

In the event of any conflicts between the provisions of this Resolution and any other Resolution, the provisions of this Resolution shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this Resolution is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the City Commission of the City of North Port.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida this day _____ of _____ 2017.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

LINDA M. YATES
MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATSY C. ADKINS, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
CORRECTNESS:

AMBER L. SLAYTON
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY