## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 3391**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA HONORING THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE'S COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT AND ENCOURAGING THE PLANTING OF TREES; DECLARING APRIL 25, 2025 IN THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE AS "ARBOR DAY"; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

WHEREAS, as trees grow, they help stop climate change by removing carbon dioxide from the air, storing carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, hereby declares April 25, 2025 as "Arbor Day"; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission urges all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day, the importance of trees, and to support efforts to protect our trees and natural habitats; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission urges all citizens to plant trees to promote the well-being of this and future generations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals.</u> The above and foregoing are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Approval and Authorization</u>. The Town Commission approves and authorizes the Town Manager and/or his designee to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution to declare April 25, 2025 as "Arbor Day" in the Town of Surfside.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of April, 2025.

Motion by Vice Mayor Paul

Second by Commissioner Velasquez

## FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION

Commissioner Ruben Coto	Yes
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez	Yes
Commissioner Gerardo Vildostegui	Yes
Vice Mayor Tina Paul	Yes
Mayor Charles W. Burkett	Yes

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Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra N. McCready, MMC, Town

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:

Thais Hernandez, Town Attorney