

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: the first Arbor Day was celebrated in 1872 in Nebraska as a special day for planting trees and has grown to thousands of celebrations in communities across our nation and year; and

WHEREAS: trees improve air and water quality, reduce the erosion of precious topsoil, provide shade and habitat for wildlife, increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS: trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products as well as serving as a source of joy and spiritual renewal wherever they are planted; and

WHEREAS: the Dunwoody Sustainability Commission benefits the citizens of Dunwoody by researching and planning for sustainable practices in Dunwoody, which was instrumental in the City receiving Bronze Level certification by the Atlanta Regional Commission under their Green Communities Program; and

WHEREAS: the City of Dunwoody will be holding activities on April 28, 2011 to recognize the value of trees and natural resources to celebrate Dunwoody's Arbor Day; now

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEN WRIGHT, Mayor of the City of Dunwoody, do hereby proclaim **April 29, 2011** as **ARBOR DAY** in the City of Dunwoody and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and support efforts to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven.

City of Dunwoody Mayor

Ken Wright

Attest:

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk