



City of Mercer Island, Washington

Proclamation

WHEREAS, protecting, planting, and maintaining trees are key community values expressed in the Mercer Island Comprehensive Plan and Climate Action Plan.

The City recognizes that trees contribute to the residential character on Mercer Island, providing health benefits, ecological services, and natural beauty to our neighborhoods.

Trees play a vital role in the stabilization of geologically hazardous areas, improve surface water quality and control, benefit Lake Washington, and reduce noise and air pollution.

Arbor Day, a worldwide observance that encourages tree planting and care, is one of many ways the City of Mercer Island and its residents declare their commitment to fostering healthy, resilient urban forests and street trees vital to the community's present and future welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Rosenbaum, Mayor of the City of Mercer Island, do hereby proclaim the fourth Saturday in October as

and encourage the Mercer Island community to attend the 2026 Arbor Day celebration and planting event on Saturday, October 24, 2026 from 10am-1pm at Homestead Park.

APPROVED, this 6th day of October 2026

Mayor David Rosenbaum

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