

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024, AS EARTH DAY AND MARCH 22 THROUGH MAY 19, 2024, AS GREEN NORMAN ECOMONTH IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, Senator Gaylord Nelson created Earth Day to increase environmental awareness and to highlight devastating effects of pollution to our air, water, and soil to the nation; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, twenty-two (22) million Americans celebrated the first Earth Day on April 22, 1970.
- § 3. WHEREAS, the City of Norman Parks and Recreation, Utilities, and Public Works Departments have planned a series of events to celebrate this important milestone and provide Norman residents an opportunity to get involved; and
- § 4. Whereas, Saturday, April 22, 2024 marks the 54<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Earth Day, and
- § 5. WHEREAS, Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, is recognized as Green Norman EcoMonth with free activities to be held at various locations across the city; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, Sunday, April 21, 2024 from noon to 5:00 p.m. is the City of Norman's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Earth Day Festival to be held at Reaves Park; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, we encourage the community to come be a part of these free public events and learn new things about the world around us.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 8. Do hereby proclaim April 22, 2024, as Earth Day and March 22<sup>nd</sup> through May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as Green Norman EcoMonth in the City of Norman and encourage our citizens to make a difference in our community: to think, reduce, reuse, recycle, replenish, restore, refresh, replant, rebuild, repurpose and respect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

