

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

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WHEREAS, ReLeaf, a community-based, volunteer and nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, was established in 1990 to plant, promote, and protect canopy trees in Greenville and Pitt County;

WHEREAS, canopy trees are a vital component of our community, making positive impacts on the environment and economy. These trees have a lot to offer—cleaning our air and water, saving energy through cooling shade, raising property values, beautifying our neighborhoods and commercial thoroughfares, and providing places for children to play;

WHEREAS, the mission of ReLeaf is to slow down the disappearance of trees along streets, increase the use of trees in parking areas, increase the use of trees in development landscaping, and to educate our community about the value of trees;

WHEREAS, ReLeaf is a key advocate for a "greener" Greenville ensuring that our city stays green by promoting and developing tree planting projects throughout our city. Since 1990, ReLeaf has planted more than 1,200 trees with assistance from the City of Greenville, State of North Carolina, East Carolina University, and local garden clubs; and

*WHEREAS*, ReLeaf will be celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in honor of their founding and faithful members on Tuesday, October 26, 2010, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the City Art Gallery.

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 26, 2010 as

## **RELEAF DAY**

in Greenville.

This 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor