

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;

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska;

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and 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;

WHEREAS, trees are renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Allen M. Thomas, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 25, 2014, as

## **ARBOR DAY**

in the City of Greenville and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

This 25th day of April, 2014.

Allen M. Thomas, Mayor



WHEREAS, the City of Greenville will celebrate its fourth Neighborhood Symposium Day which will be held Saturday, May 3, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Third Floor of City Hall, 200 West Fifth Street;

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Symposium Day is sponsored by the City of Greenville's Neighborhood Advisory Board and the Human Relations Council to educate, inspire and showcase the efforts of our diverse communities to create and maintain safe, pleasant and attractive neighborhoods full of caring and concerned neighbors;

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the Neighborhood Symposium Day is the maintenance of livable and sustainable neighborhoods through increased citizen participation in private community programs and local government, the facilitation of existing and new neighborhood and homeowners associations, improvements in the physical appearance of residential areas, support of crime prevention efforts and encouragement of ongoing public and private neighborhood revitalization efforts that positively impact the quality of life in the City of Greenville; and

WHEREAS, great neighborhoods make a great city,

**NOW THEREFORE I,** Allen M. Thomas, Mayor of the City of Greenville, NC, do hereby proclaim May 3, 2014, as

## **NEIGHBORHOOD SYMPOSIUM DAY**

and urge all citizens to become active participants in developing the kinds of neighborhoods that they are proud to call home.

This 3rd day of May, 2014.

Allen M. Thomas, Mayor



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WHEREAS, the real estate industry as a whole is committed to improving the overall economic and cultural health of the nation;

WHEREAS, Keller Williams Realty, Inc., ("Keller Williams Realty") a real estate franchise organization, recognized a significant need to give back to communities by performing charitable acts within the communities where its franchises operate;

WHEREAS, in 2014, Keller Williams Realty designated and sponsored one day that year to encourage and allow its employees and associates, and other real estate professionals, to sponsor and conduct charitable acts, and has named and marketed that day as RED Day;

WHEREAS, RED stands for <u>Renew Energize Donate</u> and RED Day has inspired tens of thousands of real estate professionals across the globe to volunteer in their local communities; and

*WHEREAS,* Keller Williams Realty committed to maintaining a growing and celebrating RED Day every year;

WHEREAS, RED Day has contributed more than half a million hours of volunteer service since the inaugural event in 2009;

WHEREAS, RED Day volunteers have helped rebuild houses, nursing homes, children's camps, animal shelters, clean parks and provide meals and activities for the elderly. The scope of the RED Day projects have been limitless.

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of real estate agents across the globe have combined resolve and energy to effect profound change in their local communities;

WHEREAS, RED Day volunteers model the best in citizenship and create a climate of goodwill that lasts far beyond one day a year;

*NOW, THEREFORE,* I, Allen M. Thomas, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 8, 2014, as

## **RED DAY**

to recognize and encourage the efforts of real estate professionals across the globe to volunteer one day of service in their local communities.

This 28th day of April, 2014.

Allen M. Thomas, Mayor