

Santa Fe County Proclamation

PROCLAIMING APRIL 22ND 2021 AS "EARTH DAY"

Introduced by: Commissioner Anna Hansen

WHEREAS, the first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970 in the United States and is commemorated annually to celebrate the beauty of our planet, recommit to actions that promote a healthy environment, and to maintain a peaceful, just and sustainable world; and

WHEREAS, all people of this Earth no matter their race, gender, age, income, sexual orientation, or national origin, have a right to a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, humankind is facing tremendous global challenges affecting every community, including degradation of ecosystems, mass extinction of species, and global/local climate changes; and

WHEREAS, Santa Fe County and our citizens, organizations, and businesses have shown dedicated leadership on environmental concerns by addressing issues such as energy production and use, greenhouse gas emissions reduction, transportation, water conservation, farmland conservation, urban forest and habitat protection, waste prevention, environmental equity; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") approved Resolution No. 2020-22 on February 25, 2020, which acknowledged April 22, 2020, as the 50th anniversary of Earth Day and requested that County staff carry out and cultivate climate actions in celebration of this anniversary to include planting events in each County district; and

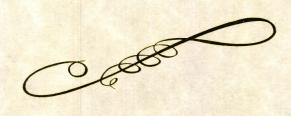
WHEREAS, Santa Fe County's 2020 Earth Day planting events were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and staff have reconvened this year and are organizing the Earth Day 2021 Restore our Earth Planting Events to include plantings of drought-tolerant, pollinator plants and native trees in each County district over five Saturdays starting this Saturday; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that, to meet the goals of Earth Day to raise awareness, trigger positive action to protect our environment, and help guide local decision-making, the Board will provide leadership, employ the expertise and talent of our community, and engage the hearts and minds of our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE 22nd OF APRIL 2021, AS:

"EARTH DAY"

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED ON THIS 13th DAY OF APRIL, 2021.





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