

STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., MAY, 10TH, 2012 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 10th day of May 2012, A.D. a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, In 1872, Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and;

WHEREAS, the first **Arbor Day** was observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and;

WHEREAS, **Arbor Day** is now observed throughout the world, and celebrated on the last Friday of April, in the United States and;

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of topsoil caused by wind and water, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide a habitat for wildlife, and;

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource used in the production of countless products and can increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and;

WHEREAS, East Aurora, New York holds the title of, "Tree City USA" awarded by the Arbor Day Foundation, and;

WHEREAS, the Tree Board of East Aurora held its celebration of **Arbor Day** on Friday, April 27th 2012, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Legislative Body pauses in its deliberations to acknowledge **Arbor Day**, and urge citizens of Erie County to promote the well-being of our trees and woodlands for future generations to enjoy.

Joseph C. Lorigo
Erie County Legislator – 10th District

Robert M. Graber
Clerk of the Legislature of Erie County