## Proclamation

WHEREAS, Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

**WHEREAS**, 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 oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource of paper, wood for our homes, fuel, and countless other food products; and

WHEREAS, 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, Tommy Ruzzano, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024, as

## ARBOR DAY

in the City of Margate and urge all citizens to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and further to participate in planting trees to promote the well-being of present and future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

TOMMY RUZZANO, MÁYOR

Vice Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz, Commissioner Antonio V. Arserio, Commissioner Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Joanne Simone