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MARCH FERGEE, Secretary of State

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it is important that we utilize the large supply of natural resources--trees--which use solar energy in the most basic way; and

WHEREAS, our forests can be managed on a renewable basis so that this great asset will endure and flourish for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, it is time to look upon the protection of our natural resources not solely as an environmental concern, but rather as an economic responsibility that should unite labor, business, consumers, and environmentalists; and

WHEREAS, the Renewable Resources Investment Fund is designed to help us protect California's forests and protect the thin layer of arable soil which is the difference between fertile, useful land and desert; and

WHEREAS, beyond the environmental and economic necessity of trees, they provide a sense of beauty to our planet, whether in the wilds or in populated areas; and

WHEREAS, California boasts the magnificent sequoia sempervirens and the sequoia gigantea while also enjoying many, beautiful tree-lined cities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor of California, do proclaim March 7, 1981 as Arbor Day in California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 6th day of February, 1981

Edmund G. Brown Jr.
Governor of California

ATTEST:

March Fergie Fee
Secretary of State

by *Margaret R. Kuehberger*
Deputy Secretary of State

