

**PROCLAMATION
2011
EARTH DAY**

- WHEREAS:** the first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970, inspired by U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson, with the goal of inspiring environmental awareness and encouraging the conservation, protection, and appreciation of our nation's natural resources; and
- WHEREAS:** it is the responsibility of each citizen, business, and industry to safeguard the environment, by recognizing that all human life depends upon the Earth and upon one another for our mutual existence, well-being, and development; and
- WHEREAS:** the steps we can take to protect and preserve our natural environment through education, partnership, and positive actions should be encouraged in Lafayette; and
- WHEREAS:** Lafayette's government, citizens, businesses, and industry, work together to create and implement designs, guidelines, and regulations specifically designed to preserve and improve Lafayette's fragile ecosystems and the community's quality of life; and
- WHEREAS:** the City of Lafayette recognizes all who participate in Earth Day, for their dedication to taking a proactive role in shaping the future of our environment and in protecting Lafayette's precious natural resource; and
- WHEREAS:** the City of Lafayette on this Earth Day, plants a tree to symbolize the goal of a healthy, sustainable, green community and the importance this tree has in providing these benefits and encourages all citizens to plant more trees; and
- NOW THEREFORE:** I, Tony Roswarski, Mayor of the City of Lafayette do hereby announce

Friday, April 22nd, 2011 as:

EARTH DAY

In Lafayette, Indiana and urge all citizens to be mindful of local, state and national laws which protect our environment, and to join in efforts to preserve the beauty and wonder of the lands, skies, and water of the Earth in all its diversity.

Dated this 21 day of April 2011



**Tony Roswarski, Mayor
City of Lafayette**

