



ARBOR DAY

January 17, 2012

For Immediate Release

**MAYOR MICHAEL S. YENNI AND THE KENNER CITY COUNCIL
RECOGNIZE ARBOR DAY JANUARY 18, 2012, 10:00 A.M. AT KENNER CITY PARK PAVILION**



In December of 2007, the City of Kenner was named and recognized nationally as a Tree City USA community by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service, to honor its commitment to community forestry.

To merit this honor, the City of Kenner met the four standards to become a Tree City USA community:

- A Tree Board that consists of a group of concerned volunteer citizens charged by ordinance with developing and administering a comprehensive tree management program;
- A Tree Care Ordinance which provides guidance in writing and implementing an annual community forestry work plan;
- A comprehensive Community Forestry Program met by focusing funding on an annual work plan that addresses species diversity, planting needs, hazardous trees, insect and disease problems and a pattern of regular care such as pruning and watering;
- And the commemoration of Arbor Day, a nationally-celebrated observance that encourages tree planting and care.

The City of Kenner encourages all citizens to bring nature into their daily lives by planting and caring for the trees in our city.

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