



# Proclamation

*Office of the Mayor*

**“ARBOR DAY”  
APRIL 25, 2009**

**WHEREAS**, the Dumont Shade Tree Commission, comprised of seven residents, was established in 2007 to promote and regulate the preservation of Borough trees, to incorporate the New Jersey Community Forestry Management Plan, to outline tree removal procedures and requirements, and implement standards and procedures for compliance; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2008, the Shade Tree Commission began to plan for an Arboretum in Dumont and when the New Jersey Community Forestry Program announced the availability of funds, the Commission quickly applied and funding of \$25,000 was granted; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 25, 2009, the Shade Tree Commission will break ground for a new Shade Tree Arboretum at the corner of Madison and West Shore Avenues; and

**WHEREAS**, this event also kicks off the Commission's new Adopt-A-Tree Program, whereby Dumont residents may apply for tree plantings under the Shade Tree Ordinance in exchange for a commitment to water the tree for three years. The group of 15 shade trees being planted in the Arboretum will provide a “Show and Tell” resource for Dumont residents to see the type of trees currently available in the Adopt-a-Tree Program; and

**WHEREAS**, we applaud the hard work and enthusiasm of the Dumont Shade Tree Commission and are confident that with the guidelines set forth by them, our residents will be able to enjoy the colorful beauty of trees, which play such an important role in our environment, for many years to come, especially on Arbor Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Matthew P. McHale, Mayor of Dumont, do hereby proclaim Saturday, April 25, 2009, as Arbor Day in the Borough of Dumont.

  
Matthew P. McHale, Mayor

*Borough of Dumont, New Jersey*