

NASF Resolution No. 2007-4

A Resolution to Promote the Goals of the Tree Line USA Programs Managed and Delivered by the National Arbor Day Foundation

PURPOSE: To recognize the Tree Line USA program's excellence in utility vegetation management practices. Under the administration of the National Arbor Day Foundation ("NADF"), Tree Line USA helps America's utilities demonstrate practices that protect and enhance America's urban forests. The program promotes the goals of dependable local utility services and promotes healthy trees along the streets and highways of America.

WHEREAS, the National Association of State Foresters ("NASF") and NADF desire to promote the dual goals of dependable utility service and abundant, healthy trees in America's communities;

WHEREAS, NASF is a membership organization of state agencies of foresters interested in good forestry practices;

WHEREAS, NADF develops, administers, and maintains the Tree Line USA program;

Therefore be it **RESOLVED** that the National Association of State Foresters:

ENDEAVORS to encourage State Forestry Agencies to consider participating in the Tree Line USA program with the assistance and support of NADF;

ENDEAVORS to encourage State Forestry Agencies to provide a staff contact to NADF that will field local questions regarding Tree Line USA and manage the distribution of recognition materials;

ENDEAVORS to encourage State Foresters to attend their respective state award ceremonies for Tree Line USA;

ENDEAVORS to assist the NADF in providing communication to State Foresters regarding the Tree Line USA program with participation by the NASF Urban and Community Forestry Committee;

ENDEAVORS to encourage State Forestry Agencies to pursue utility vegetation management education opportunities, such as including encouraging attendance at the NADF Trees and Utilities annual national conference or the regional Utility Arborist Association conferences and seminars;

RECOGNIZES the comprehensive effort of the Tree Line USA program and NADF to cultivate dependable local utility services and promote healthy trees along the streets and highways of America;

EXPRESSES its appreciation of that effort; and

ENCOURAGES its members to consider the values embodied in the Tree Line USA program.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the signature of the President of NASF below.

NASF ACTION:

(X) Approved

DATE OF ACTION:

September 19, 2007