

SAMPLE PROCLAMATION # 2

Whereas, (Your City / State) recognize the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources and work to make the world a better place by adopting conscientious living habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer and healthier environment; and

Whereas, the (Your City or State Motto - like: *The U.S.V.I. – American Paradise*) has undertaken many positive and successful waste reduction programs that have helped make (Your City / State) one of our Nation's recycling leaders, however, we can further reduce waste and recycle even more; and

Whereas, although there has been a significant increase in the amount of recycling in (Your City / State) today, we must continue to focus on other initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, the reuse of products and materials, and purchasing recycled products and packaging; and

Whereas, by encouraging businesses, State agencies, nonprofit organizations, schools and individuals to celebrate (Your City / State) America Recycles Day 2007, we can further promote recycling as an environmentally efficient and, economically smart way of life; and

Whereas, State and local community leaders can help encourage recycling by informing citizens about the importance of buying recycled products; they can also help foster greater awareness of the need to expand collection programs for recyclable goods and materials by promoting the benefits of recycling investments for businesses; and

Whereas, it is important that all (Your City / State, e.g. “the U. S. Virgin Islands”) become involved in recycling activities and learn more about the many recycled products and packaging available to them as consumers; it is also fitting for (Your City / State) to celebrate the 2007 American Recycles Day theme: *“It All Comes Back To You!”*; in acting upon this theme, we help ensure a safe and healthy environment and an improved quality of life for present and future generations;

Now, Therefore, I, (Your Governor, e.g. Charles W. Turnbull, or other authority), do hereby recognize November 15, 2007 as

(Your City / County / State) RECYCLES DAY