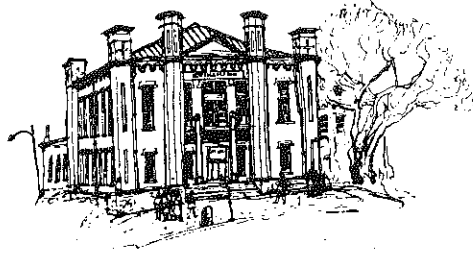


Proclamation



**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**EARTH DAY 45TH ANNIVERSARY
OUR TIME TO LEAD
April 22, 2015**

WHEREAS, the global community now faces extraordinary challenges, such as global health issues, food and water shortages, and economic struggles; and

WHEREAS, all people, regardless of race, gender, income, or geography, have a moral right to a healthy, sustainable environment with economic growth; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the citizens of the global community must step forward and take action to create a green economy to combat the aforementioned global challenges; and

WHEREAS, a green economy can be achieved on the individual level through educational efforts, public policy, and consumer activism campaigns; and

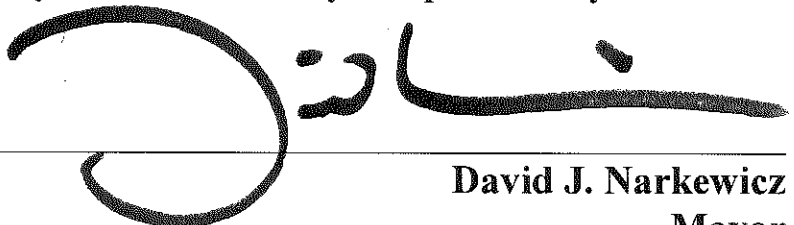
WHEREAS, it is necessary to broaden and diversify this global movement to achieve maximum success; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day is the beginning of a new year for environmental stewardship commitments, to implement sustainability efforts and commit to an Earth Day resolution(s); and

**NOW,
THEREFORE,** I, **Mayor** David J. Narkewicz, do hereby proclaim Earth Day, April 22, 2015, to be a day where residents, businesses and institutions are encouraged to celebrate the Earth and commit to building a sustainable and green economy.

**In Witness whereof, I have set my hand and imprinted
the City seal, this 16th day of April in the year 2015.**





**David J. Narkewicz
Mayor**