

#### PROCLAMATION FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED DAY

Whereas: The Town of Brookline was chosen by America's great placemaker and first landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted (1822-1903) at the culmination of his career for his family home and professional office known as Fairsted at 99 Warren Street; AND

Whereas: Fairsted operated in Brookline under Olmsted, his sons and successors from 1883 until it was acquired in 1979 and designated and operated by the National Park Service as Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site; AND

Whereas: Olmsted directly shaped nationally significant landscapes, from the U.S. Capitol Grounds to Niagara Falls and Central Park, but also the distinctive curvilinear landscapes that distinguish the Town's urban character, including: the verdant throughways of Beacon and Boylston Streets and Chestnut Hill Avenue, landscapes of sites such as First Parish Church, and many neighborhood plans, and the public greenspace of the Emerald Necklace Riverway, Leverett Pond Park (now Olmsted Park) and Jamaica Pond; AND

Whereas: 2022 marks 200 years since the birth of Frederick Law Olmsted and is being observed locally by Olmsted Now: Greater Boston's Olmsted Bicentennial to affirm Olmsted's impact on civic life and public health, to advance his ideals for democratic access to nature in urban space to heal and connect us, and to engage residents in learning to intentionally build resilient and inclusive places together; NOW

*Therefore*: The Select Board of the Town of Brookline, Massachusetts does hereby proclaim Olmsted's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday, April 26, 2022 to be:

FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED DAY in the Town of Brookline

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**Brookline Select Board** 



### PROCLAMATION

#### TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME - GREETINGS:

Frederick Law Olmsted was born on April 26, 1822, in Hartford, Connecticut. He WHEREAS:

developed a love and appreciation for nature early on in his life, traits that would

inscribe themselves onto the landscape of our nation; and

WHEREAS: Although accepted into Yale College, Olmsted was unable to complete his studies

and instead spent much of his time traveling and working around the world. These

experiences had a significant impact on Olmsted's later designs; and

Olmsted became superintendent of Central Park in New York City in 1857 and was WHEREAS:

joined by Calvert Vaux in preparing the winning submission for the design

competition of Central Park; and

Upon the outbreak of the Civil War, Olmsted left New York to serve as the first WHEREAS:

Executive Secretary of the United States Sanitary Commission, a forerunner to the American Red Cross. As Secretary, he spearheaded multiple health initiatives, including proper sanitation and good nutrition, and led the movement to repurpose military boats into medical ships, thereby saving countless lives; and

WHEREAS: In 1863, Olmsted moved to California to manage the Mariposa Estate and surrounding gold mines. There, he was asked to head a commission to oversee the

newly established Yosemite Reservation. An avid conservationist, Olmsted's

efforts helped lay the foundation for the National Park Service; and

Olmsted frequently discussed the role of landscapes to the human condition. He WHEREAS:

stressed the importance of restorative areas, such as parks, to human health and environmental protection. According to Olmsted, parks were intended for everyone, regardless of race or class, and therefore served as democratic spaces. He would go on to design various parks, college campuses, and urban areas including Prospect Park, Stanford University, and the areas surrounding the

United States Capitol; and

As the Natural State and home to numerous national parks, Olmsted's influence WHEREAS: on environmental protection has been essential to the preservation of Arkansas's

namesake, and it is important to acknowledge the contributions he has made to

our nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the

authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim April 26th, 2022, as

#### FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED DAY IN ARKANSAS

and I encourage everyone to recognize Olmsted's legacy within landscape architecture and ecological conservation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State

of Arkansas to be affixed this 14th day of April, in the year of our Lord 2022.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

in Thurston, Secretary of State

#### TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD CONNECTICUT



# **PROCLAMATION**

By

## Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, The Olmsted family of East Hartford, has had a centuries-long presence in East Hartford since its foundation; and

WHEREAS, Captain Gideon Olmsted of East Hartford, a member of this family, was a Revolutionary War hero whose naval court case helped solidify the power of the US Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted, born in 1822, was the grand-nephew of Gideon Olmsted and spent part of his youth visiting relatives and attending school in the beautiful town of East Hartford; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted had a long career as one of America's first and premier landscape architects, creating Central Park in New York City; the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina; and the "Emerald Necklace" of parks surrounding Boston, Massachusetts, among others, thus providing spaces of beauty, refreshment, and recreation for generations of Americans; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted drew inspiration for his landscape designs from his youthful excursions and trips in East Hartford and beyond.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael P. Walsh, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, do proclaim April 26, 2023

#### Frederick Law Olmsted Day

in the Town of East Hartford to remember Frederick Law Olmsted and his family heritage and contributions made to our community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the Town of East Hartford to be affixed this Twenty-Sixth day of April, Two-thousand and Twenty Three.

Michael P. Walsh, Mayor



# Congressional Record

proceedings and debates of the  $117^{th}$  congress, second session

# House of Representatives

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED

April 7, 2022

*Mr. HUDSON*: Madam SPEAKER, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of renowned architect Frederick Law Olmsted. This marks the 200<sup>th</sup> year since his birth.

Prior to beginning his career as a landscape architect, Mr. Olmsted worked as an author, farmer, journalist, and public servant. As the superintendent of New York's Central Park, he was awarded the opportunity to design the park. This prestigious task marked only the beginning of his accomplished career in architecture. In 1873, Congress selected Mr. Olmsted to design the expansion of the U.S. Capitol. He also designed the Biltmore Estate in Asheville where he fell in love with the natural beauty of North Carolina. He later accepted the opportunity to serve as the chief architect for the Village of Pinehurst. Today, the Village of Pinehurst is part of the Pinehurst National Historic Landmark District on the National Register of Historic Places. This impressive distinction serves in large part to recognize the cultural and architectural significance of Mr. Olmsted's exemplary work.

After he passed in 1903, Mr. Olmsted's sons and business colleagues worked to carry out his architectural mission which continues to shape the direction of American architecture and design. His extraordinary legacy provides a guiding model for all practicing architecture.

I would like to extend my most sincere appreciation to Mr. Olmsted for his committed and impactful leadership and achievements in the fields of architecture and landscaping. His work has greatly benefitted North Carolina and the U.S., and I join our entire community in honoring his extraordinary life.

**Madam SPEAKER**, please join me today in honoring the life and legacy of Mr. Frederick Law Olmsted.

Thank you, **Madam SPEAKER.** I yield back the balance of my time.

RICHARD HUDSON Member of Congress



#### **OLMSTED 200**

Celebrating Parks for All People

Whereas, April 26, 2022 marks the 200th anniversary of the birth of Frederick Law Olmsted; and,

Whereas, over a lengthy career, Olmsted was an author, journalist, public official, city planner, landscape architect, and creative genius who transformed the American landscape; and,

Whereas, Olmsted's philosophy and designs influenced the development of beautiful and functional landscapes, including parks and parkways, college campuses, planned communities, estates, cemeteries, recreation areas, and specialized landscapes for arboreta and expositions, and specifically the Olmsted Linear Parks in District 2; and,

Whereas, Olmsted is remembered as the premier landscape architect in the United States during the 19th century and is considered to be the founder of landscape architecture in the United States; and,

Whereas, Olmsted was one of the first individuals to promote the idea of national parks in his 1865 Yosemite Report; and,

Whereas, Olmsted believed that thoughtful landscape designs should promote community, advance democracy, provide recreational opportunities in urban environments, nurture and invigorate public health, and encourage the development of livable communities; and,

Whereas, Olmsted's associates, sons, and successor firms carried out his philosophy and designs well into the 20th century, leaving a tremendous legacy of historic landscapes that continues to benefit the people of the United States and visitors throughout the world; and,

Whereas, Olmsted inspired the development of large parks and park systems for public benefit in urban areas, creating a legacy of parks that are a singular feature of the urban experience; and,

Whereas, Olmsted's landscape designs play a vital role in the enrichment of DeKalb County and contribute to the quality of life in DeKalb and hundreds of communities across the United States; and

Whereas, communities across the country are celebrating this bicentennial anniversary as part of the coordinated national and local celebration known as Olmsted 200.

Now, Therefore, We, the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim April 26, 2022 as Frederick Law Olmsted Day throughout DeKalb County.

Proclaimed this 25th day of April, 2022.

Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1

Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5

Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Commissioner Ted Terry, District 6

Commissioner Lorraine Cochran Johnson, District 7

# Town of Fairfield, Connecticut Proclamation

**WHEREAS:** The Town of Fairfield proudly honors and recognizes the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of

Frederick Law Olmsted - author, journalist, public official, urban planner and

founder of American landscape architecture; and

**WHEREAS:** Olmsted and his successor firms have designed thousands of extraordinary

landscape projects across the country, including ones in Fairfield and

Bridgeport. Some of Olmsted's best known designs include New York City's Central Park, the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., the Biltmore Estate in North

Carolina and the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago; and

**WHEREAS:** Parks for all people was one of Olmsted's guiding principles. Nearly 200 years

before the environmental justice movement, Olmsted designed parks as

democratic spaces and called for the creation of national scenic reservations for all Americans. His vision of universal access to parks and their capacity to

bring communities together is more important than ever; and

**WHEREAS:** The Fairfield Garden Club, which bases its work on Olmsted's guiding

principles, is a proud participant in Olmsted 200, a national celebration based on

the belief that the Olmsted legacy is to be honored, communicated, and

exemplified; and

**WHEREAS:** The Fairfield Garden Club has been involved in the beautification in and

around Fairfield for over 100 years. Some of its most notable work includes its longstanding care and maintenance of the Dooryard Garden at the Ogden House;

planting thousands of daffodil bulbs; partnering with the Connecticut

Agricultural Experiment Station and the Town's Conservation department to initiate a feasibility study to plant 100 American chestnut hybrids in open space; and creating and maintaining the pocket park at the Fairfield Public Library. The Club is currently planning a Tree Canopy project at Seaside Park in Bridgeport

in celebration of the Bicentennial Year of Olmsted's birth; and

**WHEREAS:** The Town of Fairfield is grateful to The Fairfield Garden Club for all of its

outstanding contributions to the Fairfield area and for celebrating Olmsted's

extraordinary legacy.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Brenda L. Kupchick, First Selectwoman of the Town of Fairfield, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 26, 2022 as

#### FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED DAY

in the Town of Fairfield and encourage all citizens to join The Fairfield Garden Club and Town in celebrating the life, leadership and enduring influence of Frederick Law Olmsted.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Town of Fairfield to hereby be affixed, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

Brenda L. Kupchick First Selectwoman

### A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life of Frederick Law Olmsted; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, April 26, 2022, marks the 200th anniversary of the birth of Frederick Law Olmsted; and

WHEREAS, over a lengthy career, Olmsted was an author, journalist, public official, city planner, landscape architect, and creative genius who transformed the American landscape; and

WHEREAS, Olmsted's philosophy and designs influenced the development of beautiful and functional landscapes, including parks and parkways, college campuses, planned communities, estates, cemeteries, recreation areas, and specialized landscapes for arboreta and expositions; and

WHEREAS, Olmsted is remembered as the premier landscape architect in the United States during the 19th century and is considered to be the founder of landscape architecture in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Olmsted was one of the first individuals to promote the idea of national parks in his 1865 Yosemite Report; and

WHEREAS, Olmsted believed that thoughtful landscape designs should promote community, advance democracy, provide recreational opportunities in urban environments, nurture and invigorate public health, and encourage the development of livable communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the life of Frederick Law Olmsted is honored upon the 200th anniversary of his birth in recognition of his many wonderful contributions to American landscaping and urban design.

SO RESOLVED, this 28th day of April, 2022.

Senator Elena Parent

District 42



# BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

# **A PROCLAMATION**

## LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MONTH

WHEREAS: The profession of landscape architecture is regulated by all 50 states on the basis of its

recognized significance in protecting the public health, safety, and welfare; and

Landscape architects have made valuable and important contributions to this state WHEREAS:

through the skillful and artful creation of safe, functional, accessible, secure, and

aesthetically pleasing public and private places; and

The profession of landscape architecture significantly enriches the quality of life WHEREAS:

enjoyed by citizens of Georgia and visitors to this great state; and

Through thoughtful planning and design and careful stewardship of land and water WHEREAS:

resources, landscape architects serve to preserve, protect, and conserve Georgia's scenic

beauty, unique and fragile ecosystems, and abundant natural resources; and

Frederick Law Olmsted was an American landscape architect, journalist, social critic, WHEREAS:

and public administrator. He is considered to be the father of landscape architecture.

Olmsted was famous for co-designing many well-known urban parks with his partner

Calvert Vaux; and

April 26, 2022 will mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of Frederick Law Olmsted. WHEREAS:

Olmsted's projects transformed the American landscape, including the creation of the Master Plan for Druid Hills here in Georgia. Olmsted's landscape designs play a vital role in the enrichment of Georgia and contribute to the quality of life of our

communities; and

The profession of landscape architecture serves a unique and vital role in the WHEREAS:

development of green industries in this state, which significantly contributes annually

to Georgia's economy; now

I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2022 THEREFORE:

as LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 21st day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

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CHIEF OF STAFF



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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, April 26, 2022 marks the 200th anniversary of the

- 3 birth of Frederick Law Olmsted; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Over a lengthy career, Frederick Law Olmsted was
- 5 an author, journalist, public official, city planner,
- 6 landscape architect, and creative genius who transformed the
- 7 American landscape; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted's philosophy and designs
- 9 influenced the development of beautiful and functional
- 10 landscapes, including parks and parkways, college campuses,
- 11 planned communities, estates, cemeteries, recreation areas,
- 12 and specialized landscapes for arboreta and expositions,
- including Jackson and Washington Parks in Chicago, the World's
- 14 Columbian Exposition of 1893 in Chicago, and the Village of
- 15 Riverside; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted is remembered as the
- 17 premier landscape architect in the United States during the
- 18 19th century and is considered to be the founder of landscape
- 19 architecture in the United States; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted was one of the first
- 21 individuals to promote the idea of national parks in his 1865

- 1 Yosemite Report; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted believed that thoughtful
- 3 landscape designs should promote community, advance democracy,
- 4 provide recreational opportunities in urban environments,
- 5 nurture and invigorate public health, and encourage the
- 6 development of livable communities; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted's associates, sons, and
- 8 successor firms carried out his philosophy and designs well
- 9 into the 20th century, leaving a tremendous legacy of historic
- 10 landscapes that continues to benefit the people of the United
- 11 States and visitors throughout the world; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted inspired the development of
- 13 large parks and park systems for public benefit in urban
- 14 areas, creating a legacy of parks that are a singular feature
- of the urban experience; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted's landscape designs play a
- 17 vital role in the enrichment of Illinois and contribute to the
- quality of life in Illinois and hundreds of communities across
- 19 the United States; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Communities across the country are celebrating
- 21 this bicentennial anniversary as part of the coordinated

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- 1 national and local celebration known as Olmsted 200;
- 2 therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 4 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 5 we declare April 26, 2022 as "Frederick Law Olmsted Day" in the
- 6 State of Illinois; and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of the resolution be
- 8 presented to the organizers of the Olmsted 200 celebration.

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1	A RESOLUTION recognizing April 26, 2022, as National Frederick Law Olmsted
2	Day in Kentucky to celebrate and honor his impact and contributions in landscape
3	architecture and conservation.
4	WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted was born in Hartford, Connecticut, on April
5	26, 1822, to John and Charlotte Olmstead; and
6	WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted is regarded as the founder of American
7	landscape architecture; and
8	WHEREAS, Frederick Law Olmsted is responsible for the landscapes of historical
9	United States landmarks such as Central Park in New York City, the United States
10	Capitol in Washington, D.C., and the Bitmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina; and
11	WHEREAS, as a trailblazer in the United States conservation movement, Frederick
12	Law Olmsted worked tirelessly to preserve natural resources such as Yosemite Valley in
13	Yosemite National Park and Niagara Falls in New York; and
14	WHEREAS, in 1898, Frederick Law Olmsted co-founded the American Society of
15	Landscape Architects; and
16	WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments, he composed the Olmsted Park
17	System of Louisville, Kentucky, including Iroquois, Cherokee, Chickasaw, and Shawnee
18	Parks;
19	NOW, THEREFORE,
20	Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the
21	Commonwealth of Kentucky:
22	→ Section 1. In honor of his unique contributions to American landscape
23	architecture and conservation, this honorable body hereby proclaims April 26, 2022, to be
24	National Frederick Law Olmsted Day in Kentucky.
25	→ Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a
26	copy of this Resolution to Representative Norma Kirk-McCormick for delivery to

Matthew Hisle, President of the Kentucky Chapter of the American Society of Landscape

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1 Architects.

## MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION NO. 2022-238

## A RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED'S 200th BIRTHDAY ON APRIL 26th, 2022

**WHEREAS FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED**, along with his family lived in Mariposa County from 1863 to 1865 and managed Senator John C. Fremont's Bear Valley gold mining operations; and

**WHEREAS** June 1864, President Lincoln signed the bill deeding Yosemite Valley and the Giant Sequoia Grove of Big Trees to the State of California. In 1865, Mr. Olmsted was appointed to prepare a plan to protect those resources; and

**WHEREAS** that report provided Olmsted with a singular opportunity to share his aspirational vision for a reconstructed post-Civil War nation, where great public parks could become keystone institutions of an emancipated and renewed American Republic; and

**WHEREAS** that vision expanded upon President Lincoln's vision of a broader, more inclusive interpretation of democracy in post-war America, and framed the intellectual foundation for what became the world's first system of national parks; and

**WHEREAS** realization of this park system in Yosemite resulted in dispossession of the Southern Sierra Miwuk people, who had made Yosemite Valley their home for thousands of years; and

**WHEREAS** when we acknowledge Olmsted's outsized contribution to American conservation and parks, we also acknowledge the enduring connection Indigenous people have with Yosemite, and recognize the importance of presenting all aspects of this complex history; and

**WHEREAS FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED** is remembered as the premier landscape architect in the United States during the 19th century and is considered to be the founder of landscape architecture in the United States.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereby commemorates and marks April 26th the 200th anniversary of the birth of **FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED**.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022, by the following vote:

Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor

Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor

Tom Sweeney, District II Supervisor

Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor

Marshall Long, District III Supervisor



# News from the Office of Adam J. Bello Monroe County Executive



For immediate release: *April 21, 2022* 

# MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADAM BELLO ANNOUNCES 'OLMSTED WEEK' CELEBRATION ACROSS THE COUNTY

#### OLMSTED WEEK BEGINS APRIL 25 - APRIL 30

**ROCHESTER, NY** — In celebration of Frederick Law Olmsted's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday, Monroe County Executive Adam Bello today declared April 25 through 30 as Frederick Law Olmsted Week in Monroe County.

Frederick Law Olmsted, who designed New York's Central Park, is often called the father of American landscape agriculture. His designs resulted in Monroe County's Highland and Seneca parks, as well as the City of Rochester's Maplewood Park and Genesee Valley Park, owned by both the city and the county. Additionally, the Olmsted firm designed some of Rochester's smaller parks, including Washington Square and Susan B. Anthony Square.

"Monroe County is home to some of the best parks in the country, with several of them designed by Frederick Law Olmsted," **said County Executive Bello**. "As we continue to celebrate our Bicentennial, I encourage everyone to celebrate Olmsted's lasting contributions to our community by enjoying all our beautiful parks throughout Olmsted week."

Public celebrations of Olmsted Week include:

- April 23, 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.: Volunteers from all across the county will work together to help pick up trash or large debris at county parks for our annual Pick Up the Parks event to promote a clean and healthy environment. For more information, go to monroecounty.gov/parks.
- April 28, 10 a.m.: A special announcement featuring County Executive Bello, the Highland Park Conservancy and state lawmakers at Highland Park.
- April 28, 6:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m.: A Frederick Law Olmsted Celebration at the Memorial Art Gallery, 500 University Ave. featuring guest speaker Justin Martin, author of *Genius of Place: The Life of Frederick Law Olmsted*. A reception with a book signing, Olmsted selfie station and light refreshments are included. Admission is free. To register, visit highlandparkconservancy.org/events/.
- April 30, 10 a.m.: Seneca Park Zoo Nature Hike. Take a Zoo Naturalist-led walk through Seneca Park and join the Seneca Park Zoo, and over 150 cities worldwide, for the 2022 City Nature Challenge. Download the iNaturalist app and go outside

anywhere around Rochester documenting the area's biodiversity April 29 – May 2. The participant that enters the most observations during the week will win a grand prize gift basket provided by Visit Rochester. To register for this free event, visit: senecaparkzoo.org/event/nature-hike-for-the-city-nature-challenge-2022/.

- April 30, 11:00 a.m.: The Sierra Club will provide free tree seedlings while supplies last at Northampton Park, 304 Salmon Creek Road, Webster Park, 255 Holt Road, Seneca Park, 2222 St. Paul Street and Genesee Valley Park West. For more information, go to sierraclub.org/atlantic/rochester.
- April 30, 9 a.m. 11:30 a.m.: President of the Highland Park Conservancy, JoAnn Beck, will lead a walking tour of Highland Park. Participants will learn more in depth about the life and architectural mind of Frederick Olmsted. The event is free and the number of participants is limited. Register now by going to <a href="https://disabs/highlandparkconservancy.org/events/">highlandparkconservancy.org/events/</a>.

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Whereas over a lengthy career, Olmsted was an author, journalist, public official, city planner, landscape architect, and creative genius who transformed the American landscape; and

Whereas Olmsted's philosophy and designs influenced the development of beautiful and functional landscapes, including parks and parkways, college campuses, planned communities, estates, cemeteries, recreation areas, and specialized landscapes for arboreta and expositions

including the Capital grounds in Washington, D.C.; and

Whereas, Olmsted is remembered as the premier landscape architect in the United States during the

19th century and is considered to be the founder of landscape architecture in the United

States; and

Whereas, Olmsted was one of the first individuals to promote the idea of national parks in his 1865

Yosemite Report; and

Whereas Olmsted believed that thoughtful landscape designs should: (A) promote community; (B)

advance democracy; (C) provide recreational opportunities in urban environments; (D) nurture and invigorate public health; and (E) encourage the development of livable communities; and

Whereas Olmsted inspired the development of large parks and park systems for public benefit in urban

areas, creating a legacy of parks that is a singular feature of the urban experience; and

Olmsted's landscape designs play a vital role in the enrichment of Montgomery County,

Maryland and contribute to the quality of life in Maryland and hundreds of communities across

the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, DO I,



Whereas

Signed this <u>26<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> in the year <u>2022</u>

Marc Elrich as County Executive hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 26, 2022 as:

#### FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED DAY

in Montgomery County and join with communities across the country in celebrating this bicentennial anniversary as part of the coordinated national and local celebration known as Olmsted 200.

MARC ELRICH County Executive



## Citation

**Experses**, the people of New York State recognize individuals who have distinguished themselves through their lasting contributions to our artistic and cultural heritage, and we join in honoring Frederick Law Olmsted, the father of American landscape architecture and an early conservationist, who gained national and international prominence in the mid-19th century – on the occasion of the bicentennial anniversary of his birth on April 26, 1822, in Hartford, Connecticut; and

England dry-goods merchant who shared a strong love of nature with his second wife, which they passed to their son; over a lengthy and successful career, and without a formal college education, Frederick Law Olmsted was an apprentice seaman, merchant, farmer, author, journalist, public official, city planner, landscape architect, and a beloved creative genius who transformed the American landscape; and

England in 1850, Frederick saw remarkable land use in numerous estates, parks, and scenic countrysides that added to his growing philosophies about the development of beautiful and functional landscapes; Frederick returned to the Northeast only to be sent by the New York Times to journey through the South and report on the societal structure and institution of slavery, which he recommended be abolished; both of these travel accounts were published as books and his literary connections led Frederick Olmsted to the Superintendency of what would become New York City's Central Park; in 1858, Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux teamed up for what would be a lifelong partnership, submitting the winning design for the new urban park that remains a marvel to this very day; and

**Thereas**, believing that thoughtful landscape designs should make nature accessible to everyone on an equal basis, Olmsted and Vaux's work advanced democracy, promoted the development of livable communities, provided recreational opportunities in an urban environment, and invigorated public health; this philosophy influenced the design and development of parks and parkways, college campuses, planned communities, estates, cemeteries, recreation areas, memorials, and specialized backdrops for arboreta and expositions; they championed the idea of national parks, designing the State Reservation at Niagara in 1885; and

Washington D.C. and the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, Frederick Law Olmsted did an extraordinary amount of work in New York State, including Central Park, Prospect Park, Fort Greene Park, Morningside Park, and Riverside Park in New York City; Downing Park in Newburgh; Highland Park, Genesee Valley Park, Seneca Park, and Maplewood Park in Rochester; Buffalo-Delaware Park, the Front, the Parade, South Park, Cazenovia Park, Humboldt and Lincoln, Bidwell and Chapin Parkways, and the Buffalo State Hospital for the Insane in Buffalo; and

**Thereas**, Frederick Law Olmsted's concepts and designs have been carried into the 21st century by his sons, associates, successor firms, and students of his genius; famed architect Daniel Burnham said of him, "He paints with lakes and wooded slopes; with lawns and banks and forest-covered hills; with mountainsides and ocean views..."; and;

**Whereas**, this year, the National Association of Olmsted Parks and numerous local Olmsted partners have planned special activities in honor of this milestone birthday, entitled Olmsted 200, Celebrating Parks for All People;

**Row**, Therefore, I, Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby confer this Special Citation posthumously upon

#### FREDERICK LAW OLMSTED

on the occasion of the celebration of the 200th anniversary of his birth and the commemoration of his astounding legacy upon the landscape of America.

**Eovernor** April 26, 2022



# The City of Bridgeport

celebrates the 200th Anniversary of the birth of

# Frederick Law Olmsted

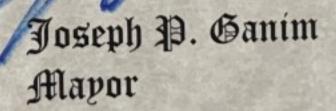
Author, Fournalist, Public Official, Urban Planner, Visionary, & Founder of American Landscape Architecture

A native of Connecticut, he is legendary for designing New York City's Central Park, Boston's Emerald Necklace, and hundreds of famous landscape commissions around the country, as well as, significantly contributing to American conservation, public health and public history.

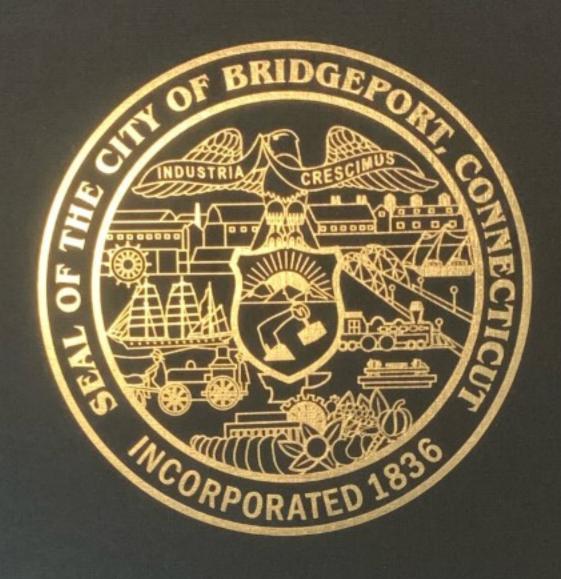
Olmsted believed that "great public lands" accessible to people from all backgrounds could serve as a resource for improving wellness and civil society.

Happy 200th Birthday Olmsted!

April 26, 2022







**Bridgeport City Council** 

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# Official Citation

Be it hereby known to all that the Bridgeport City Council joins in to recognize the 200th Anniversary of the birth of:

Mary A. McBride-Lee Rosalina Roman-Christy

Frederick Hodges

135th District

Alfredo Castillo 136th District

Maria 9. Valle

Aidee Nieves 137th District

Maria H. Pereira

Michele L. Small 138th District

Wanda R. Simmons

Ernest E. Newton 99 139th District

# Frederick Law Olmstead

As an author, journalist, public official, city planner, landscape architect, and creative genius he transformed the American landscape. Olmstead used his philosophy to design Seaside and Beardsley Parks in Bridgeport. Both create a walkable, bikeable, livable community and celebrate the natural resources to be found in our great City.

Given this 26th day of April 2022

At City Hall Bridgeport, Connecticut

City Council President Aidee Nieves

and the entire City Council

Amy Marie Vizzo-Paniccia Michelle A. Lyons 134th District

Scott Burns

Matthew McCarthy

130th District

Jorge Cruz, Sr.

Tyler Mack

131st District

Marcus A. Brown

Rolanda Smith

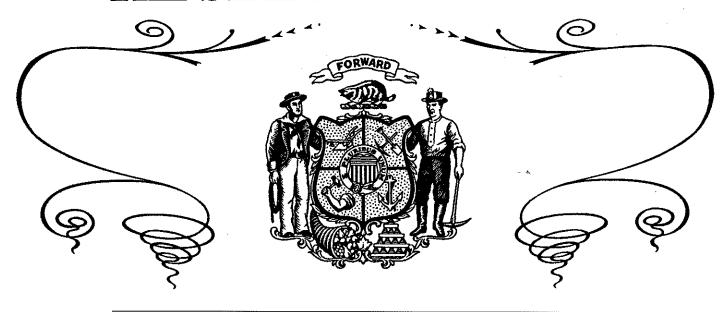
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Jeanette Herron

Aikeem G. Boyd

133rd District

## THE STATE OF WISCONSIN



### Anniversary of Fredrick Law Olmsted's 200th Birthday

WHEREAS, Fredrick Law Olmsted is considered the father of Landscape Architecture, making dozens of contributions across the United States including the United States Capital Grounds and Central Park in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Olmsted designed many locations throughout Wisconsin, including Lake Park, Washington Park, the Village of Kohler, and several private estates; and

WHEREAS, the Olmsted firm designed the fifty acre campus of Yerkes Observatory in Williams Bay, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, April 26th, 2022 is the 200th anniversary of the birth of Fredrick Law Olmsted; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that State Representative Amy Loudenbeck and State Senator Steve Nass commemorate the great work of Fredrick Law Olmsted across the 31st Assembly District, the State of Wisconsin, and the greater United States on the anniversary of his birth, this day in 1822.

Amy Loudenbeck

Wisconsin 31st Assembly District

Steve Nass

Wisconsin 11th Senate District

State Capitol Madison, Wisconsin April 26, 2022