

**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF WOODBURY  
**PROCLAIMING ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY OF WOODBURY**

**WHEREAS**, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

**WHEREAS**, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

**WHEREAS**, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

**WHEREAS**, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling cost, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas and beautify our community; and

**WHEREAS**, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Woodbury is committed to preserving and propagating trees in our community.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT**, The Mayor and Council of the City of hereby proclaim Friday, April 30, 2021 as *Arbor Day* in the City of Woodbury, and we urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

**FURTHER THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT**, we urge all residents of The City of Woodbury to become active in planting and protecting trees for the benefit of this and future generations.

Signed, this twenty-seventh day of April, in the year of two thousand and twenty-one.

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PEG SICKEL  
MAYOR, CITY OF WOODBURY