

Village of Arlington Heights

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION APRIL 26, 2024

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 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 recognizes trees as an important resource. Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and trees in our Village increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Arlington Heights has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day foundation and plans to continue planting trees and promoting their well-being for generations to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor of the Village of Arlington Heights, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024 as Arbor Day in the Village of Arlington Heights, and I urge all citizens to support our efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and to support our Village's urban forestry program.



Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor

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Trustee James Bertucci
Trustee Wendy Dunnington
Trustee Nicolle Grasse

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