

## ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

In 1872 Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees.

That special day became known as ARBOR DAY. It was observed by the planting of more than a million trees in the State of Nebraska.

Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world.

Trees can reduce the erosion of precious top soil by wind and water, lower heating and cooling cost, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and create woodlands and habitats for wildlife.

Trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products.

Trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

In keeping up with the spirit of Sterling Morton's dream, I Ray Smith, Mayor of the City of Coburg, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2022, as Arbor Day in the City of Coburg, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands; and

I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Proclaimed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022

Ray Smith, Mayor

Attest

Sammy Egbert, City Recorder

Coburg 5<sup>th</sup> Graders celebrating Arbor day with Coburg Public works in 2012 at Jacob Sproes Park.



What the hedge looks like in 2022!

