PROCLAMATION The City of Del Rey Oaks City Council Hereby Celebrates Arbor Day 2025

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 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 life-giving 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

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

WHEREAS, in cooperation with the volunteers from the Del Rey Oaks Citizens Action group, the City was able to plant 70 trees received from the "Right Tree, Right Place" Program in which PG&E donates trees to plant in the local communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Donaldson, Mayor of the City of Del Rey Oaks, do hereby proclaim April 25, 2025 as Arbor Day in the City of Del Rey Oaks and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day now and in the future and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and I urge all citizens to plant trees to promote the well-being of this and future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Del Rey Oaks to be affixed this 22nd day of April 2025.

Scott Donaldson, Mayor