

# ***PROCLAMATION***

## ***City of Fair Oaks Ranch***

**WHEREAS**, in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to 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 be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife; and,

**WHEREAS**, our City originated from the development of the Fair family ranch and both the City and ranch were appropriately named out of the appreciation for our historic oak trees; and

**WHEREAS**, trees within our community help preserve the natural beauty that makes Fair Oaks Ranch an attractive and favorable place to live; and

**WHEREAS**, the preservation of trees is a consideration in all aspects of our continued growth as a City.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Gregory C. Maxton, Mayor of the City of Fair Oaks Ranch, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2023, as Arbor Day in our City, and I encourage all citizens to care for their trees, recognizing the value that they add to the City of Fair Oaks Ranch. Furthermore, the City of Fair Oaks Ranch is committed to maintaining our oak trees, which helps make our community a special place and in becoming a Tree City USA.

**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2023.**

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Gregory C. Maxton, Mayor

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Christina Picioccio, TRMC  
City Secretary