

~PROCLAMATION~

Recognizing November 1, 2024, as Aransas County Arbor Day

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is a day set aside to celebrate the beauty of trees and to recognize the way they enrich people’s lives. In a letter to the children of the United States, President Theodore Roosevelt wrote, “A people without children would face a hopeless future; a country without trees is almost as hopeless”, and

WHEREAS, Texas Arbor Day has been observed since 1889 under the leadership of the Texas Forestry Association, and is an opportunity to promote the tangible and intangible value trees bring to our community, and to educate our citizens about stewardship and responsibility for protecting these vital natural resources, and

WHEREAS, the Trees in Aransas County, TX provide intrinsic benefits by enhancing the economic value of tourism as they draw visitors who enjoy their beauty and who appreciate the life-saving habitat they give to the birds and other wildlife that grace Aransas County’s natural environment, and

WHEREAS, the Trees in Aransas County clean the air we breathe, produce life-giving oxygen, filter pollutants from our water, slow down floodwaters and erosion, provide cooling shade on sunny days, lower our heating and cooling costs, and increase our property values, and

WHEREAS, wherever they grow naturally and are planted, are a source of joy, are essential to the lifecycle of birds, insects, and many types of wildlife, and are proven to enhance mental health, and

NOW THEREFORE, The Town of Fulton does hereby proclaim November 1, 2024, as ARBOR DAY and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support all efforts to protect our trees, and to plant trees to enjoy and promote well-being for this and future generations; and

Executed and adopted on the _____ day of October 2024.

Kelli Cole, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary