



City of Gladstone, MI

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Staff Report

Agenda Date: April 22, 2024, City Manager: _____
 Department: Public Works Department Head Name: Barry Lund
 Presenter: Joe Thompson Kim Berry, City Clerk:

This form and any background material must be approved by the City Manager then delivered to the City Clerk by 4:00 PM the Tuesday prior to the Commission Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM TITLE:

Arbor Day Proclamation

BACKGROUND:

Arbor Day is April 26, 2024. Arbor Day is a holiday in which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant and care for trees. It originated in Nebraska City, Neb., in the United States in 1872. The City of Gladstone needs to recognize Arbor Day with a proclamation in support of it. Not only is the proclamation good for our community, but it also opens up granting opportunities to the city.

FISCAL EFFECT:

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve



*** OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION ***

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 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 spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Thompson, Mayor of the City of Gladstone, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024 as **ARBOR DAY** In the City of Gladstone, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, *and*

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

DATED THIS 22nd day of April, 2024

Mayor _____