

Proclamation

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY APRIL 29, 2022

- WHEREAS,** *in 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set 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 reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and*
- WHEREAS,** *trees are a renewable source giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and*
- WHEREAS,** *trees in our community 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; and*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stephen M. Witt, Mayor of the City of Lake City, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2022 as NATIONAL ARBOR DAY And I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being for this and future generations and as we celebrate the twelfth year of the City of Lake City has being a Tree City USA designee.



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed this 29th day of April 2022.

Stephen M. Witt, Mayor
City of Lake City