



Arbor Day Proclamation

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

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 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, and

Whereas, The City of Lansing has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting ways.

Now, Therefore, I, Anthony R. McNeill, Mayor of the City of Lansing, in the State of Kansas, do hereby proclaim the 5th day of April, in the year Two-Thousand Twenty-four as

"Arbor Day"

in the City of Lansing, and I urge all citizens to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and to support our city's urban forestry program, and

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

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Lansing, Kansas to be affixed. This the 7th day of March, in the year Two-Thousand Twenty-four.

City of Lansing

Anthony R. McNeill, Mayor

Tish Sims, City Clerk