

## MAYORAL PROCLAMATION OFFICIALLY DECLARING APRIL 28, 2023 AS ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY OF MAYVILLE

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 one million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed through 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, 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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, John Guinn, Mayor of the City of Mayville, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2023, as "ARBOR DAY" in the City of Mayville and urge all citizens to support efforts to care for our trees and woodlands and support our City's community forestry program; and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees in observance of Arbor Day.

Dated this 18th day of April, 2023.

John Guinn

Mayor