

Proclamation Arbor Month

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, is now observed throughout the nation and the world and is celebrating 150 years recognizing the value of trees and their positive benefits to human welfare; and

WHEREAS, The City of Bend is celebrating 19 years as a Tree City USA; 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 in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, Tree planting activities engage people of all ages in understanding the importance of trees, proper tree care and promote the well-being of this and future generations; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day in Oregon will be celebrated for the entire month of April; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Month is a call to action for all citizens to join in an effort to promote the good health and beauty of our local and global environments;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL DOES PROCLAIM:

That the month of April 2022, be designated "Arbor Month" for the City of Bend.

Dated April 6, 2022.

Sally Russell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robyn Christie, City Recorder