

Proclamation

BY THE MAYOR AND THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROOKFIELD

WHEREAS, the City of Brookfield is committed to the protection and preservation of its natural environment and has a current investment in environmental protection programs as well as the preservation of high quality tree life on public and private lands; and

WHEREAS, it is the objective of the City to be a role model and assume partnership and leadership roles in developing and implementing programs and services that demonstrate and teach the value and vitality of sound environmental policies, practices, and procedures; and

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 this holiday, called 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 in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, an Arbor Day celebration helps involve a broad cross-section of the community in creating a groundswell of support for environmentally sound products, investments, and policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Steven V. Ponto, Mayor of the City of Brookfield, and the Common Council of the City of Brookfield do hereby proclaim April 29th, 2016 as our:

“ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION”

in the City of Brookfield, and we call upon all citizens in our City to celebrate this day and to organize and participate in relevant events and educational activities in the schools and community during this day and throughout the year; and

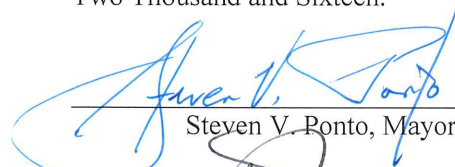
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge all citizens to plant trees to gratify the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all citizens have the opportunity to honor a living or deceased family member or friend by having a tree planted through the City of Brookfield’s Memorial Tree Program; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge all citizens, groups, and organizations to support efforts and establish practices to protect and preserve our natural environment, trees, and woodlands.



Signed and sealed this the 5th day of April,
Two Thousand and Sixteen.



Steven V. Ponto, Mayor



Kelly Michaels, City Clerk