

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

VILLAGE OF PINEHURST

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; and

WHEREAS, trees in our village increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

WHEREAS, Pinehurst strives to be recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation;

NOW THEREFORE, I, John C. Strickland, Mayor of the Village of Pinehurst, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2022, as “ARBOR DAY” in the Village of Pinehurst, and urge all citizens to support efforts to care for our trees and woodlands and to support our Village’s community forestry program; and

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the Village of Pinehurst, this the 8th day of March, 2022.

John C. Strickland, Mayor