

# PROCLAMATION

BY MAYOR JOEL GREER

**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, 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 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 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.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Mayor Joel Greer of the City Marshalltown, Iowa, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2023, as

## *“Arbor Day”*

In the City of Marshalltown, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused my seal to be affixed on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

  
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Joel Greer, Mayor  
City of Marshalltown