

**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 are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tulare has been recognized as a "Tree City USA" by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its "tree planting ways."

**NOW THEREFORE,** we, the City Council of the City of Tulare, do hereby proclaim April 21, 2023, as

## **Arbor Day**

in the City of Tulare and encourage the community to support efforts to care for our trees, to support our city's community forestry program, and to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.



Jury a Sayre Terry A. Sayre, Mayor

Patrick Isherwood, Vice Mayor

oré Syda Jose Sigala, Councilmember

Stephen C. Harrell, Councilmember

Dennis A. Mederos, Councilmember