



- Whereas, A holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska and is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and
- Whereas, Trees reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate temperature, clean the air and storm water, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide 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 town 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; and
- Whereas, On Arbor Day and during tree planting times, the Tree Board, community partners, families and friends join together to celebrate the benefits of trees and to recognize the unique beauty of our trees, which provide a lasting impression on visitors and memories for residents.

Now, Therefore, I, Roger Sheeman, Highland Town Council President, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 30, 2021 as

Arbor Day

In the Town of Highland, and I do further proclaim the week of April 25 through April 30, 2021, as **Tree Planting Week** and urge all residents to acquire and plant a tree.

Dated this _ day of April 2021.

Town Council President