

**PROCLAMATION**  
**Arbor Day 2024**

*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, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and*

*WHEREAS, Ann Arbor's trees provide many environmental and social benefits to the community, including, reducing storm water runoff, improving water and air quality, moderating summer temperatures, lowering utility costs, improving quality of life and beautifying the City; and*

*WHEREAS, The City of Ann Arbor puts high value on the care and management of city trees and is celebrating its 43<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year being designated a Tree City USA and 1<sup>st</sup> year designated as a Tree Cities of the World community.*

*NOW THEREFORE, I, Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, do hereby, proclaim Friday, April, 26 as Arbor Day in the City of Ann Arbor, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to participate and support efforts to plant and care for trees.*



*I hereby set my hand and seal  
This 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024*

*Christopher Taylor*

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Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor*