

PROCLAMATION

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 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, Steve Shute, Mayor of the City of Gardner, Kansas, do hereby proclaim April 27, 2018 as

Arbor Day

in the City of Gardner, Kansas and urge all citizens to celebrate and support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Gardner, Kansas to be affixed this 16th day of April 2018.

CITY OF GARDNER, KANSAS

Steve Shute, Mayor

Attest:

Amy Waller, City Clerk

(SEAL)