

ADDENDUM

MARTINSVILLE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

April 26, 2016

7:30 pm – REGULAR SESSION ADDENDUM

1. Consider presentation of a Proclamation recognizing Friday, April 29, 2016 as National Arbor Day.

Date: April 26, 2016

Item No: 1.

Department: City Council

Issue: Consider presentation of a Proclamation recognizing Friday, April 29, 2016 as National Arbor Day.

Summary: Nationally, the last Friday of every April is celebrated as Arbor Day, which occurs this Friday, April 29. Arbor Day celebrates the importance of trees as a renewable resource as well as necessary to reduce erosion, moderate temperatures, provide habitat for wildlife, and aesthetically enhance the landscape.

Attachments: Proclamation

Recommendations: The Mayor will read the Proclamation and present to Wayne Know, representing the Tree Board.



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, lower our 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

I, Danny Turner, Mayor of the City of Martinsville, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2016 as

ARBOR DAY

in the City of Martinsville, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Danny Turner
Mayor