

ARBOR DAY

- Whereas, In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of street trees, and
- Whereas, the 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 world, and
- Whereas, the Town has created the Peter T. van Aken Street Tree Gift Account, and
- Whereas, the Town was awarded the "Tree City USA" designation in 2013 by the National Arbor Day Foundation, in recognition of our commitment to our urban forest, and
- Whereas, trees have aesthetic appeal, contribute to the distinct character of certain neighborhoods, improve air quality, provide glare and heat protection, reduce noise, aid in the stabilization of soil, provide natural flood and climate control, create habitats for wildlife, provide traffic calming, enhance property values and provide natural privacy to neighbors

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mariano Goluboff, Chairman of the Select Board, along with the members of the Select Board of the Town of Winchester, Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim June 1, 2019 as:

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In the Town of Winchester, Massachusetts, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support the 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.

Dated This ____ Day of May in the Year 2019

Mariano Goluboff, Chairman
Winchester Select Board