PROCLAMATION

In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Whereas. Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a Whereas, million trees in Nebraska, and 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 Whereas. heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce lifegiving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our Whereas. fires and countless other wood products, and trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of Whereas. business areas, and beautify our community, and trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal. Whereas.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE SOUTHBOROUGH BOARD OF SELECTMEN, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 30, 2021 AS

Arbor Day

In the Town of Southborough, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

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

Signed this <u>sixth</u> day of <u>April</u> in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

Chairman

Member

Member Member

Member

Board of Selectmen