PROCLAMATION

PROCLAIMING FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023 "ARBOR DAY" IN THE CITY OF DE PERE

WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called "Arbor Day," was first observed with the planting of more than one 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, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James G. Boyd, Mayor of the City of De Pere, Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 28, 2023,

"ARBOR DAY"

in the City of De Pere and urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the City of De Pere, Wisconsin, this 28th day of April, 2023.

CITY OF DE PERE, WISCONSIN

James G. Boyd, Mayor