

PROCLAMATION

West Linn, Oregon

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 Arbor day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees 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, planting trees increases property values by complimenting and enhancing the architecture of our city, emphasize views and beautify our community and parks; and

WHEREAS, During the pandemic, citizens have relied on tree-filled parks and natural areas as places of respite, joy, exercise, spiritual renewal, social interaction because healthy trees have a positive impact on mental health and community resilience; and

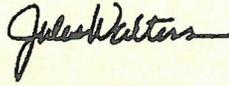
WHEREAS, the City of West Linn is recognized as a Tree City USA for the 28th year, by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to expand its tree-planting and stewardship practices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LINN, that April 2021 is

ARBOR MONTH

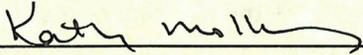
In West Linn, Oregon, and calls upon all citizens and civic organizations to celebrate trees by planting, maintaining, studying, and enjoying trees in our community. The City will celebrate Arbor Month by offering many community events focused towards the maintenance of existing trees and the planting of new trees.

DATED THIS 12TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021



MAYOR JULES WALTERS

ATTEST:



KATHY MOLLUSKY, CITY RECORDER

