

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Arbor Day has been recognized Nation-wide since 1882 with the last Friday in April being the official National Day of Celebration, and

Whereas, It is recognized that the preservation of trees enhances scenic beauty, sustains long term increases in property values, encourages quality development, reduces erosion, reduces heating and cooling costs, moderates the temperature and cleans the air, and

Whereas, The public policy of the city of Oxford favors the preservation of large, mature trees which are a vital component of the beauty, charm and character of the city, and

Whereas, The stewardship of our urban forest not only requires planting of trees, but as importantly, the care and preservation of existing trees, especially since it is virtually impossible to replace heritage trees for the present generation of our citizens, and

Whereas, All citizens of the City of Oxford are urged to do their part to protect our urban forest canopy and to care for our trees in such a way as to preserve and promote their well-being for this and all future generations, so

Therefore, be it resolved on behalf of the citizens of the City of Oxford that this 25th day of April is hereby recognized and celebrated in Oxford as

Arbor Day

George "Pat" Patterson, Mayor

Aldermen Jay Hughes
Aldermen Ulysses Howell

Aldermen Robyn Tannehill
Aldermen Preston E. Taylor
Alderman at Large John Morgan

Aldermen Janice Antonow
Aldermen Jason Bailey

