

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in Nebraska; and

**WHEREAS**, Arbor Day events are now observed throughout the nation and the world during the month of April; 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 product; and

**WHEREAS**, trees in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas and beautify our community; and

**WHEREAS**, trees are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Randy Sparacino, Mayor of Medford, do hereby proclaim the month of April as

## ARBOR MONTH

and urge all citizens in Medford to support efforts to care for our trees and woodlands, and to support our City's community forestry program, to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,  
I hereunto set my hand this  
6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.



  
Randy Sparacino  
Mayor