## **Arbor Day Proclamation**

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:

the holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a

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, lower our

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 in our village increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of

business areas, and beautify our community, and

Whereas:

trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal,

NOW, THEREFORE, I Stephen Anderson, President of the Village of River Hills, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 14th, 2019 as

## **Arbor Day**

In the Village of River Hills, Wisconsin, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

Further.

I urge all citizens to plant and care for trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Dated this 6th day of March, in the year 2019.

President