

City of Conway, Arkansas Proclamation by: Mayor Bart Castleberry ARBOR DAY November 4th, 2017



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

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

business areas, and beautify our community.

Now, therefore, I, Bart Castleberry, Mayor of Conway, do hereby proclaim November 4^{th} , 2017 as:

"ARBOR DAY"

In Faulkner County, 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 trees to gladden the heart and promote the well being of this and future generations.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Conway to be affixed:

Dated this 4th day of November, 2017

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Mayor Bart Castleberry