

## PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, 2017 will mark Fargo's 40th year as a Tree City USA; and*

*WHEREAS, Trees and shrubs are a most valuable resource in Fargo today, protecting our soil, helping conserve moisture and energy, beautifying our homes and making Fargo a more inviting place to live and visit; and*

*WHEREAS, Vigorously growing trees and shrubs produces life sustaining oxygen, slows down forceful winds, breaks the monotony of endless sidewalks and miles of highways, softens the outline of the masonry, metal and glass cityscape, and increases the value of property; and*

*WHEREAS, Disease and insects have damaged and threatened our trees, creating the need for the continuation of tree planting programs throughout the city; and*

*WHEREAS, On Arbor Day the people of Fargo commit themselves to the continued health of our City's inventory of trees.*

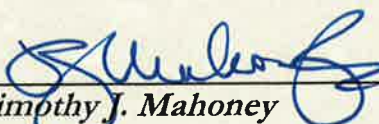
*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That I, Timothy J. Mahoney, Mayor of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 19, 2017 as*

## **ARBOR DAY**

*in the City of Fargo and urge all citizens to become more aware of the importance of our urban trees to the well-being of our City, and to demonstrate their concern for future generations by participating in tree planting programs.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fargo, North Dakota to be affixed this 19th day of May, 2017.*



  
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Timothy J. Mahoney  
Mayor  
City of Fargo