



**PROCLAMATION**  
**Recognizing Arbor Day 2023**

**WHEREAS**, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil, lower heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, provide habitat for wildlife, provide wood for homes, increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify communities; and

**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 known as Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in Nebraska and is now observed throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marana has celebrated Arbor Day since 2006 with tree plantings involving volunteers, scouts and school groups; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters, has sponsored Tree City USA.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Marana hereby proclaim and recognize **April 28, 2023 as Arbor Day.**

Dated this 17 day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:

David L. Udall, Town Clerk



Ed Honea, Mayor