

**RESOLUTION 2021-10**

**DECLARING APRIL 30TH ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN**

**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**, 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, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving 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 city 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 BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Mayor David Hemmer, do hereby proclaim April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as Arbor Day in the City of Prairie du Chien, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

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

Adopted this 20th day of April, 2021.

By a vote of: \_\_\_\_\_ in favor, \_\_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstain.

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Dave Hemmer, Mayor

ATTEST

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Chad Abram, City Administrator