



TOWN OF
Poolesville
MARYLAND

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, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees 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 in our community increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas and beautify our Town; and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal and an expression of our commitment to future generations; and

WHEREAS, students of the Poolesville Public Schools will show their commitment to the environment through tree plantings at their schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Brown, President of the Poolesville Commissioners, do hereby proclaim **Friday, April 29, 2022**, as **ARBOR DAY*** in Poolesville, and urge all individuals, groups, businesses, and schools to celebrate and enjoy Poolesville's outdoors and the richness of our community through the planting and preservation of trees.

Proclaimed this _____ day of _____

President, Poolesville Commissioners _____

* - Although there was no official celebration in 2021, the Town nevertheless recognized **April 30, 2021**, as Arbor Day in Poolesville.