City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Rebecca Erickson



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in Nebraska in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and, for the first Arbor Day, more than a million trees were planted in

Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, trees touch the lives of people within the community who benefit daily from cleaner air,

shadier streets, and aesthetic beauty that healthy, well-managed urban forests provide;

and

WHEREAS, Trees can make a strong contribution to a community's pride; and

WHEREAS, the city established the Poulsbo Tree Board in March 1997 and for the 27th year in a row,

Poulsbo has been designated a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation for its

ongoing urban forestry commitment;

WHEREAS, the Poulsbo Tree Board will lead a guided walk and educational talk with a spring tree

planting in the Centennial Park Arboretum in celebration.

WHEREAS, founding member of the Poulsbo Tree Board, Bess Bronstein, retired from her position

after 26 years serving the people and environment of Poulsbo, this 2024 observance of

Arbor Day is dedicated to her service.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rebecca Erickson, Mayor of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024:

ARBOR DAY

in the City of Poulsbo and encourage our citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and enjoy the beauty of our community. Further, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED this 3 day of April, 2024.

REBECCA ERICKSON, MAYOR