

**PROCLAMATION
OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
RECOGNIZING AND HONORING ARBOR
DAY**

WHEREAS, the City of San Bernardino values its urban forest and all its trees and recognizes the benefits trees can provide to San Bernardino's neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, the City is supportive of tree planting and acknowledges that they can be a solution to fighting climate change by providing shade, moderating temperatures, cleaning the air, providing a habitat for wildlife, and producing life-giving oxygen, and

WHEREAS, trees can be a renewable resource, giving us wood for our homes, paper, and fuel for our warmth in winter, and

WHEREAS, trees—wherever they are planted—can be a source of joy and spiritual renewal, and beautification of our communities, and

WHEREAS, in 1872, a special day was established for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS, the City of San Bernardino is committed to continue nurturing and preserving its urban forest through planting, caring, and diversifying its trees throughout the City,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Bernardino hereby designate April 28, 2023 as a day in honor and recognition of Arbor Day.