

PROCLAMATION

Proclaiming April 25, 2025, as Arbor Day in the City of Graham

WHEREAS, in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to 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; and

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

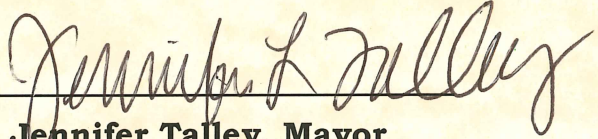
WHEREAS, trees can be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource that gives 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer Talley, Mayor of the City of Graham, proclaim **April 25, 2025**, as **ARBOR DAY** in the City of Graham and challenge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

This is the 11th day of March 2025.


Jennifer Talley, Mayor