## **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 can 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 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,
- WHEREAS, the City of Kewaunee has been recognized as a Tree City USA by The National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting practices

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sandi Christman, Mayor of the City of Kewaunee, do hereby proclaim April 28th, 2017 as

## ARBOR DAY

in the City of Kewaunee, Wisconsin, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, further I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2017.

Sandi Christman

Mayor