



**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 in Nebraska, 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 life-giving oxygen, and providing 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.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Mayor and Council of the City of Sugar Hill, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> **ARBOR DAY** In the City of Sugar Hill, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

**FURTHER,** we urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

So Proclaimed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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Brandon Hembree, Mayor

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Joshua Page, Mayor Pro Tem

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Taylor Anderson, Council Member

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Meg Avery, Council Member

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Alvin Hicks, Council Member

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Gary Pirkle, Council Member