PROCLAMATION

Arbor Day
April 25, 2025

***WHEREAS**, the Village of Barrington has been recognized as a Tree City U.S.A. by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its planting way; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Legislature of the State of Illinois has adopted an act designating Arbor Day and by that act has designated the last Friday in April as the Official Recognition of Arbor Day in Illinois; and*

***WHEREAS**, it is the purpose of this day throughout the United States to encourage the planting and maintenance of shade and forest trees and to encourage the protection of this vital natural resource from the scourge of fires, insects, and diseases that destroy the beauty and usefulness of our woodlands as well as their wildlife; and*

***WHEREAS**, the people of the Village of Barrington have placed a high value and priority on this valuable natural resource; and*

***WHEREAS**, through the cooperation of all the residents and taxpayers of this Village, the beneficial effects of a well-managed urban forestry program, the proper conservation practices, and the maintenance and protection from the natural enemies of our trees can be materially increased and we can pass on an enduring heritage of a vital natural resource to succeeding generations.*

***NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Karen Darch, President of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Barrington, Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, do hereby proclaim **April 25, 2025**, as **ARBOR DAY** in the Village of Barrington, and I urge all the citizens to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and to support our Village's urban forestry program, and*

***FURTHER,** declare the week of **April 19 to April 26, 2025**, as **TREE CARE WEEK** in Barrington and urge all citizens able to do so observe this time by the planting of one or more trees on their property and supporting the efforts of the Barrington Public Works Department in an ongoing maintenance program conducted by the Village.*

Dated this 14th day of April, 2025

Karen Darch

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Village President