

**TOWN OF LYONS, COLORADO
ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, In 1892 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS, 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 cost, 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 Town 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, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lyons, Colorado, has been recognized as a Tree City, U.S.A. by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree planting ways.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Connie Sullivan, Mayor of the Town of Lyons, Colorado did proclaim April 28th, 2017 as **ARBOR DAY** in the Town of Lyons. The Board of Trustees, Town staff and I urge all citizens to support our Town's urban forestry program and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

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ATTEST:

Connie Sullivan, Mayor

Debra K. Anthony, Town Clerk