

## 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

**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 costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife, 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 Windermere proudly celebrates over twenty years as “A Tree City, U.S.A”,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Gary Bruhn, Mayor of the Town of Windermere, do hereby proclaim January 14, 2016 as

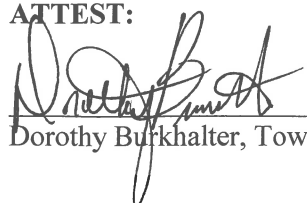
### ARBOR DAY

in the Town of Windermere, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

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

**DATED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

ATTEST:

  
Dorothy Burkhalter, Town Clerk



TOWN OF WINDERMERE

  
Gary Bruhn, Mayor