



## 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 life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, beautify our community, and are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and


**WHEREAS**, the City of Shoreline has been recognized for the tenth year in a row as a Tree City USA Community by Washington State Department of Natural Resources Urban and Community Forestry;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Chris Roberts, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and urban forest, and do hereby proclaim November 16, 2024 as

## ARBOR DAY

in the City of Shoreline.



  
Christopher Roberts, Mayor