



## **Arbor Day 2019**

Hobart celebrates 20 years as Tree City USA at this year's arbor day.

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Hobart Wisconsin, May 22, 2019 – Hobart celebrated its 20th year as a Tree City USA community by planting an ivory silk lilac tree in Four Seasons Park Wednesday morning. Pictured below (left to right) in the tree planting are: Tracy Salisbury, Wisconsin DNR; Jerry Lancelle, Public Works Coordinator; Mary Smith, Clerk / Treasurer; Dane Federman, DPW Summer Crew Member; Richard R. Heidel, Village President

### VILLAGE OF HOBART - ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Arbor Day was founded by J. Sterling Morton on April 10th, 1872 in Nebraska City, Nebraska, United States where over an estimated one million trees were planted on that single day; and

WHEREAS, Hobart has been blessed with many wonderful trees that beautify its landscape, support wildlife, keep soil in its place, filter our air, and clean our water; and

WHEREAS, trees planted in Hobart are a source of joy, well-being, and spiritual renewal for our residents and visitors and have become a source of pride and a distinctively identifying attribute of Hobart known to the entire region; and

WHEREAS, it hardly seems fair, considering the importance, variety, and complexity of the largest and longest-living things on Earth, that the Book of Genesis uses only a few words and simple language to describe the creation of trees;

WHEREAS, the tree is used as a simile for our individual families, with its branches, limbs, and nourishing attributes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard Heidel, President of the Village of Hobart, do hereby proclaim this 22nd day of May 2019 as ARBOR DAY in the Village of Hobart, 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 our hearts and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED this 22nd day of May, 2019.

