



## ***Proclamation***

***By City Council of Laramie***

**WHEREAS**, this year, 2025, is the 153<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first Arbor Day. 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 this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

**WHEREAS**, the planting of trees is a vital step in developing civic pride and a sense of community by providing an abundance of environmental advantages, including battling increasing carbon emissions, and providing aesthetic advantages to citizens and wildlife, wherever they are found; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Wyoming has designated the last Monday in April as the State Arbor Day and all communities in Wyoming can designate their own Arbor Day, based upon the climatic conditions of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body for the City of Laramie desires to participate in the annual celebration of Arbor Day; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laramie has celebrated Arbor Day beginning in 1984 and this year, 2025, will be Laramie's 41st Arbor Day; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laramie Arbor Day celebration was held on Thursday, June 12, 2025, 9:00 AM at Optimist Park, where six apple trees will be planted, with the help of Laramie Girl Scout Troop 1347.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Sharon Cumbie, Mayor and President of the City of Laramie, Wyoming City Council, do hereby proclaim June 12, 2025, as

### **Laramie's Arbor Day Tree Planting.**

We urge residents of Laramie to plant trees and to support our City's community forestry program.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official Seal of the City of Laramie, Wyoming, to be affixed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

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Sharon Cumbie, Mayor and President City of  
Laramie, City Council

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Nancy Bartholomew, CMC,  
City of Laramie, City Clerk