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 wild life; 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 Village increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Hanover Park has been recognized as a Tree City, USA for the 31st consecutive year by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting ways;

NOW, THEREFORE, IRodney S. Craig, Village President of the Village of Hanover Park, do hereby proclaim

April 28, 2017 as Arbor Day

in Hanover Park. I urge all citizens to support efforts to care for our trees and woodlands and to support our Village's community forestry program, and

Further, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the wellbeing of present and future generations, and

Further, I would like to recognize the Arbor Day Foundation Energy-Saving Trees program, an innovative research-based, easy-to-use online mapping tool that calculates the optimal planting location to maximize energy and money savings.

Further, I would like to invite all citizens to order two free trees through the Abor Day Foundation online at www.arborday.org

Dated this 28th day of April 2017.

Rodney Caig, Village President

Attest:

Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Village Clerk