

# Proclamation

## City of North Port



*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 life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; 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 city 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.

*NOW, THEREFORE*, We, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as

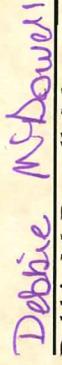
## "ARBOR DAY"

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, We have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020.

ATTEST

  
Heather Taylor, Interim City Clerk

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

  
Debbie McDowell, Mayor

  
Jill Duke, Vice-Mayor

  
Vanessa Carusone, Commissioner

  
Pete Enrich, Commissioner

  
Christopher Hanks, Commissioner

