

A PROCLAMATION TO RECOGNIZE ARBOR DAY AS APRIL 25, 2025

WHEREAS, trees are a vital component of the Earth's ecosystem, providing essential benefits such as clean air, water, habitat for wildlife, and the mitigation of climate change; and

WHEREAS, trees improve the quality of life in our communities, reduce energy consumption, and increase property values; and

WHEREAS, the planting of trees helps prevent soil erosion, combats deforestation, and fosters the stewardship of our natural resources for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is celebrated nationwide to recognize the importance of trees and to inspire citizens of all ages to take part in efforts to protect and plant trees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Walhalla recognizes the vital role that trees play in maintaining a healthy, sustainable environment and is committed to promoting awareness about the importance of tree care and conservation; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day shall be a time to encourage citizens to engage in tree planting, learn about the benefits of trees, and continue to foster a greener future for our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Hall do hereby proclaim **April 25, 2025**, as **Arbor Day** in the City of Walhalla and urge all residents to recognize the importance of trees, celebrate Arbor Day through education, tree planting, and other community-based environmental activities, and support efforts to safeguard and nurture our natural resources.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Walhalla, South Carolina to be affixed this Twenty First day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty- Five.



Mayor Tim Hall