## Town of Sykesville



## ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION April 25, 2025

**WHEREAS,** in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees. 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 be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing 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 Town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of the business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees – wherever they are planted – are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED,** by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Sykesville that Friday, April 25, 2025, is designated as Arbor Day, and the citizens are urged to celebrate Arbor Day and to support the efforts to protect our trees and woodlands; and

**FURTHER,** we urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the official seal of Sykesville to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year 2025.

Anna Carter, Council President Mark Dyer, Council Member Alan Grasley, Council Member Elizabeth Guroff, Council Member Leo Keenan, Council Member Jeremial Schöfield, Council Member