

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is one of only seventeen cities in the country to have been a charter participant in the Tree City USA program since 1976, and the first city in Oregon to receive a Tree City USA forty-fifth year award from the Arbor Day Foundation; and

WHEREAS, for the forty-fifth consecutive year, the City of Salem has met the requirements for Tree City USA, due to its urban forestry program supported by a minimum dollar per capita of public funds, tree ordinance, and formal Arbor Month activities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is also a "Sterling City" with fifteen Tree City USA Growth Awards, in recognition of the City exceeding the goals established by the Arbor Day Foundation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim April 2021, as Salem's

ARBOR MONTH

and encourage all people of Salem to participate in community, school, and private observances of Arbor Month.

DATED this twenty-second day of March 2021.



Chuck Bennett Mayor