

City of Michigan City

Indiana



Proclamation

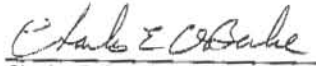
- WHEREAS** Arbor Day is America's National Tree Holiday, founded by J. Sterling Morton in Nebraska in 1872 as a day we set aside to plant trees, educate people about the importance of trees, and honor the role trees play in our daily lives; and
- WHEREAS** trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and
- WHEREAS** trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, protecting our waterways and our ability to grow food; trees cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce 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** The City of Michigan City has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation for eight consecutive years; and
- WHEREAS** Michigan City is fortunate to have dedicated members of its tree board to carry out the mission to regulate trees on City property to help ensure a cleaner, healthier, more tree-filled Michigan City tomorrow.

NOW THEREFORE, I CHARLES E. OBERLIE, Mayor of the City of Michigan City, Indiana do hereby proclaim Friday, April 26, 2008 as:

ARBOR DAY

In the City of Michigan City in the State of Indiana, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day in a personal way by planting a tree yourself and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands. I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day every year by planting trees which gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED THIS 26th day of April, 2008


Charles E. Oberlie, Mayor
City of Michigan City

ATTEST:


Thomas F. Fedder, City Clerk

