

Proclamation

By the Mayor of the Village of Ada, Ohio

#2014-02

Because, 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

Because, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

Because, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, including a ceremony at the Ada Schools, and

Because, 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

Because, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and

Because, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

Because, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal,

I, David A. Retterer, Mayor of the Village of Ada, Ohio do hereby proclaim Friday, May 2, 2014 as Arbor Day in the Village of Ada, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands,

And, just to make it official, I have signed this proclamation and have put the official seal of the Mayor of Ada, Ohio on it today, the 30th day of April, 2014.

David A. Retterer
Mayor of Ada, Ohio