

VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD HILLS

A PROCLAMATION RELATING TO 2009 OBSERVANCE OF ARBOR DAY

Whereas, 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

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

Whereas, 2009 is the 137th anniversary of the holiday and Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

Whereas, 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

Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and beauty to our community, and

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

Now, therefore, I, Mark Sundquist, President of the Village of Shorewood Hills, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2009 as the 137th annual celebration of



ARBOR DAY

in the Village of Shorewood Hills, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

Further I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Dated this 16th day of March, 2009

President Mark Sundquist