

Office of the Mayor
City of Faribault
Proclamation

WHEREAS, Trees and forest soils keep our lakes and streams clean by absorbing and filtering pollutants and sediments; and

WHEREAS, Forest soils prevent flooding and reduce stormwater by capturing and storing rainwater and snowmelt, which is then slowly released to our lakes, streams, and groundwater; and

WHEREAS, Careful management of our forests is one of the best ways to protect drinking water and reduce the cost of water treatment; and

WHEREAS, Sound management of forested public lands surrounding the Mississippi River ensures clean drinking water for more than one million Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS, About three-quarters of Minnesotans get their drinking water from the forested parts of the state; and

WHEREAS, Planting trees is a natural and easy way to keep our water clean; and

WHEREAS, The last Friday in April, and throughout the month of May, Minnesotans pay special tribute to our trees as natural resources and rededicate ourselves to the vitality of our forests.

NOW, THEREOFRE, I, Kevin Voracek, Mayor of the City of Faribault, do hereby proclaim Saturday May 4, 2019 as:

Arbor Day & Beautification Day and the month of May 2019, as Arbor Month in the City of Faribault.

*In witness whereof I have hereunto
Set my hand and cause the seal to
be affixed*

Mayor _____

Date April 23, 2019