City of La Feria Proclamation

ARBOR DAY

May 8, 2010



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, in Texas, in 1889, the citizens of Temple conceived an Arbor Day resolution which the Texas Legislature passed into law, and Arbor Day was first celebrated in Texas in 1890; and

Whereas, 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 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 viability of business areas, and beautify our community; and

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

Now, Therefore, Be It Known that the City Commission of the City of La Feria, does hereby proclaim May 8, 2010 as Arbor Day in the City of La Feria, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and further, urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 27^{TH} DAY OF APRIL 2010, LA FERIA, TEXAS

APPROVED

Steve Brewer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

ATTEST AS TO FORM:

Miguel D. Wise