



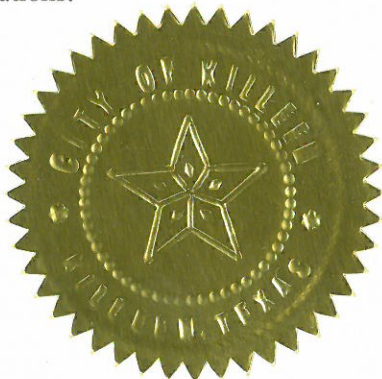
# City of Killeen

- 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 this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and
- WHEREAS** in 1889, the citizens of Temple, Texas authored an Arbor Day Resolution, which the Texas Legislature passed into law to encourage the planting of trees in the state; and
- WHEREAS** Arbor Day is now observed throughout the world and locally in Killeen; and
- WHEREAS** trees can reduce the erosion of valuable 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 countless other 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 Killeen has been officially designated a Tree City USA since 2007 for our ongoing commitment to preserving and propagating trees in our community.

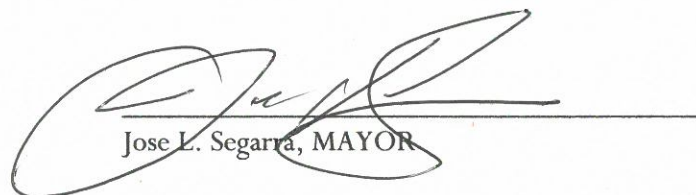
**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Jose L. Segarra, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Killeen do hereby proclaim Friday, April 26, 2019 as:

*Arbor Day*

and urge all residents of Killeen to become active in planting and protecting trees for the benefit of this and future generations.



**In Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Killeen to be affixed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

  
Jose L. Segarra, MAYOR