

# PROCLAMATION

*Arbor Day - May 1, 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. This holiday, called **ARBOR DAY**, was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in Nebraska; and

*WHEREAS*, Arbor Day has grown to become not only a national, but a world wide event which is observed throughout the last week in April; and

*WHEREAS*, Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; they are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other products; and

*WHEREAS*, Trees within the City of Novi increase property values, enhance the vitality of business areas, and beautify our community.

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, David Landry, Mayor of the City of Novi, on behalf of the Novi City Council, declare Saturday, May 1, 2010 as Arbor Day in the City of Novi, and call upon all community members to take full advantage of this special occasion by joining in the tree planting and festivities at Lakeshore Park from 10 a.m. to noon.  
Signed and sealed this 19th day of April, Two Thousand and Ten.

  
David B. Landry  
Mayor

