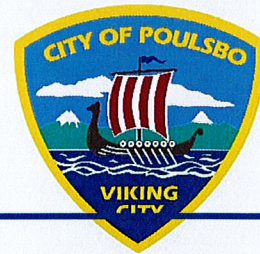


# City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Rebecca Erickson



## PROCLAMATION

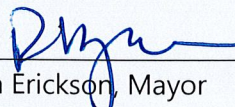
- WHEREAS,** in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed the establishment of a special day dedicated to the planting of trees in Nebraska, resulting in the planting of over a million trees during the inaugural Arbor Day; and
- WHEREAS,** trees significantly enhance the lives of community members by providing cleaner air, shaded streets, and the aesthetic beauty associated with healthy, well-managed urban forests; and
- WHEREAS,** trees serve as a vital source of pride within the community; and
- WHEREAS,** the city established the Poulsbo Tree Board in March 1997 and for the 28th consecutive year, has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation in acknowledgment of its commitment to urban forestry; and
- WHEREAS,** the Poulsbo Garden Club, with the support of Crossroads Rotary of Kitsap, has contributed a Tree of Life-inspired art installation, complete with a reflective seating area; and
- WHEREAS,** the Poulsbo Tree Board will lead a guided walk and educational talk with a spring tree planting in the Centennial Park Arboretum in celebration.
- WHEREAS,** The retirement of Poulsbo Tree Board members Janet Brown (23 years), Jim Leary (17 years), and Jenise Bauman (9 years) is recognized. The observance of Arbor Day in 2025 is dedicated to honoring their unwavering commitment to the community and environment of Poulsbo.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rebecca Erickson, Mayor of the City of Poulsbo, Washington,** do hereby proclaim April 25, 2025:

## ARBOR DAY

in the City of Poulsbo and encourage our citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and enjoy the beauty of our community. Further, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED this 11th day of April, 2025.

  
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Rebecca Erickson, Mayor

