

Mayor's Proclamation

City of Canton, Ohio

RECOGNIZING ARBOR DAY

- 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. The holiday, known as Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and
- WHEREAS,** Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world. Trees reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, lower our heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide a 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. Trees planted in the city increase property values, enhance economic vitality of business areas and beautify our community; and
- WHEREAS,** Regardless of where they are planted, trees create a source of joy and spiritual renewal within our community; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, William J. Healy, II, Mayor of the City of Canton, Ohio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Canton, Ohio, do hereby recognize this 24th day of April, 2015 as

ARBOR DAY

and urge all families and friends to join me in celebrating Arbor Day, and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands for future generations.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wm J Healy II". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

WILLIAM J. HEALY II
MAYOR