## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06 ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

**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 Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and,

**WHEREAS**, trees 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 vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and,

**WHEREAS,** trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and,

**WHEREAS,** Howell has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation for 35 consecutive years and desires to continue its tree-planting practices.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Mayor & City Council of the City of Howell, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2023, as Arbor Day in the City of Howell, and express our appreciation to Chem-Trend for sponsoring the 2023 Arbor Day celebration; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all citizens are urged to celebrate Arbor Day, support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Adopted this 10th day of April 2023.

Robert Ellis, Mayor

Deanna Robson, City Clerk

## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Resolution No. 2023-06, adopted by the City Council of the City of Howell, Livingston County, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on April 10, 2023, and that the meeting was held and the minutes, therefore, were filed in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my official signature this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

BY: Howell City Clerk