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, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and
- **Whereas,** trees can reduce the erosion of our precious 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 an countless other wood products and
- Whereas, trees in our Village increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of areas business, and beautify our community and
- Whereas, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.
- Whereas, the Village of Gibsonburg has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation for decades; and
- Whereas, this year the Village will celebrate this event with the support of the teachers, administrators, students and families of Hilifiker Elementary
- NOW, THEREFORE, I STEVEN L. FOUGHT, Mayor of the Village of Gibsonburg, Ohio do hereby proclaim May 18, 2019 as Arbor Day in the Village of Gibsonburg, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and, further I urge all citizen to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

IN WITNESS HERE OF, I have here unto subscribed my name this 18th day of May in the year two thousand and nineteen.

Mayor Steven L. Fought
Village of Gibsonburg