## MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 26, 2024 AS ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE

**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

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 temperatures, 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 and beautify our community; 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;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Victor Gonzales, Mayor of the City of Pflugerville, Texas, do hereby proclaim October 26, 2024, as Arbor Day in the City of Pflugerville, Texas, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands; and

**FURTHER,** I invite all citizens to Pfluger Park on the morning of October 26, 2024 to join city partners in planting trees throughout the park.

In Witness Thereof, I cause the Official Seal of the City of Pflugerville to be affixed this 8th day of October 2024.

| Victor Gonz  | ales, Mayor      |
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| Attest:      |                  |
| Tricta Evanc | , City Secretary |