



**Town of Camp Verde  
Proclamation  
Declaring Saturday, April 24, 2021  
as Camp Verde's Arbor/Earth Day Celebration 2021**

**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; and

**WHEREAS**, Arbor Day is now observed at various times of the year throughout the nation and the world; and

**WHEREAS**, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil due to wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, trees are a renewable resource that increase property values, enhance economic vitality, and create more livable communities; and

**WHEREAS**, trees, where properly planted, are a source of joy and community pride.

**NOW, THEREFORE, The Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde** urge all citizens to care for our urban forest, to support our town's ongoing commitment to improving and managing our tree resources, and commits to planting one celebratory tree to commemorate the concurrent celebration of Arbor Day and Earth Day with Yavapai-Apache Nation. The Camp Verde Town Council hereby proclaims April 24, 2021 as Camp Verde's Arbor/Earth Day Celebration with the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Town of Camp Verde, Arizona, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.



Dee Jenkins, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cindy Pemberton, Town Clerk