



# Proclamation

## Arbor Day

April 24, 2026

**Whereas**, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in Nebraska and 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 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. Trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, beautify our community, and are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

**Whereas**, thanks to such organizations as the Manteca Garden Club and the Manteca Rotary, which have donated an abundance of trees every year, Manteca has maintained its national recognition as a Tree City USA for 35 years in a row; and

**Now, Therefore**, I, Gary Singh, Mayor of the City of Manteca, on behalf of City Council, do recognize April 24, 2026, as Arbor Day and urge all citizens to be aware of the need to preserve and protect our trees and their environment.

**DATE:** April 21, 2026

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Mayor Gary Singh