



*The Village of*  
**BRISTOL**

NATURALLY

- 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 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 and countless other wood products, and
- Whereas,* trees in our Village 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,* Mike Farrell, President Village of Bristol  
do hereby proclaim May 9<sup>th</sup> as:



In the Village of Bristol, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to Support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

*Further,* I urge all citizens to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

*Dated this,* 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

Village President

*Established 2009*