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 called Arbor Day; and

Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and world; and

Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, lower our 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; and

Whereas, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

Whereas, a tree preservation ordinance was adopted by the City of Wylie in August 2012 recognizing the benefits of trees in our community; and

Now therefore, I, Eric Hogue, Mayor of the City of Wylie, Texas, on behalf of the Wylie City Council, on this the 12th day of November 2013, am honored to hereby proclaim the 13th day of November 2013, as,

“Arbor day”

in the City of Wylie, Texas and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands; and further urge all citizens to plant and care for trees to promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Eric Hogue, Mayor
City of Wylie
State of Texas