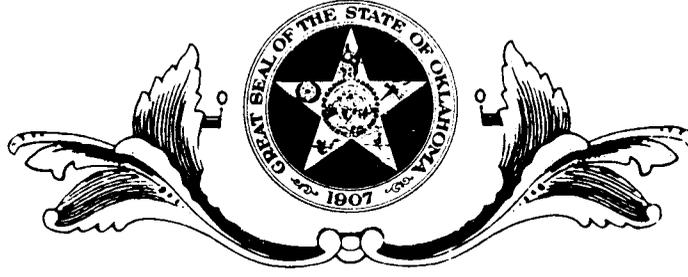


STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, Oklahoma has been committed to the recognition of Arbor Celebrations throughout our state's history, for over 100 years; and

Whereas, we recognize the duty we owe to future generations in the conservation of private and public lands by planting and cultivating trees; and

Whereas, the vast forests that grow in Oklahoma's cities, towns, and backyards are a vital part of the web of life that surrounds and supports us all; and

Whereas, Oklahoma Forestry Services is dedicated to planting trees and educating all citizens about the importance of trees; and

Whereas, it is the purpose of Arbor Week to encourage the planting of trees in urban and rural areas, to encourage proper management of the state's forests, and to remember the many benefits we receive from trees;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the week of March 24th through March 30th, 2013 as

"Arbor Week"

in the State of Oklahoma and urge all citizens to observe the day by beautifying public and private grounds with the planting of trees that shall live after them as monuments to their public spiritedness and true regard for the welfare of our state.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 5th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

Michelle R Day
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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