



**City of Hallowell
One Winthrop Street
Hallowell, Maine 04347**

Resolution 04-20-R

Proclamation of Arbor Week

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY OF HALLOWELL, MAINE, THAT

WHEREAS, forest trees cover eighty-nine percent of Maine's land, making the state the most forested in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the trees of Hallowell are part of the canopy of trees covering Maine; and

WHEREAS, our trees are important to the infrastructure of Hallowell, providing natural beauty, shade and a feeling of well-being in our urban environment; and

WHEREAS, the trees in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of the business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, our trees can reduce the erosion of topsoil by wind and water, moderate temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS, the Citizens of Hallowell recognize the importance of planting street trees, maintaining and caring for our forest and urban shade trees; and

WHEREAS, it is in keeping with the State of Maine's traditional celebration of spring to observe and promote the contributions of forest and urban trees to Maine's quality of life and that of the Citizens of Hallowell,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR OF HALLOWELL that the week of May 17 – 23, 2020 be celebrated as **ARBOR WEEK**, and we urge all Citizens of Hallowell to support the efforts of the City to protect our trees and woodlands, and we further urge all citizens to plant a tree on their property, thereby leaving a legacy for future generations.

Read and adopted by the City of Hallowell on this Eleventh Day of May in the year Two Thousand and Twenty.

on behalf of the City Council

Mark L. Walker
Mayor, City of Hallowell