



**Town of Camp Verde
Proclamation**

**Declaring Saturday, April 21, 2018
as Camp Verde's Arbor/Earth Day Celebration 2018**

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; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed at various times of the year throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil due to wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource that increase property values, enhance economic vitality, and create more livable communities; and

WHEREAS, trees, where properly planted, are a source of joy and community pride.

WHEREAS, this signifies the beginning of a new relationship of trust and opportunities between the Yavapai-Apache Nation and the Town of Camp Verde; and

NOW, THEREFORE, The Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde urge all citizens to care for our urban forest, to support our town's ongoing commitment to improving and managing our tree resources, and commits to planting one celebratory tree to commemorate the concurrent celebration of Arbor Day and Earth Day. The Camp Verde Town Council hereby proclaims April 21, 2018 as Camp Verde's Arbor/Earth Day Celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Town of Camp Verde, Arizona, this 18th day of April 2018.

Charles German, Mayor

ATTEST:

Judy Morgan, Town Clerk