PROCLAMATION
CITY OF TROY -- TREE CITY USA

WHEREAS, The **City of Troy** has been certified as a **Tree City USA** for 25 years through the National Arbor Day Foundation and this prestigious certification proves the City of Troy is dedicated to the future of its urban forest; and

WHEREAS, The **City of Troy** wishes to acknowledge that **Troy's** urban forest reduces noise, air pollution, energy costs, reflected light, flooding, stabilizes soils, sequesters carbon, provides habitat for wildlife and improves the overall quality of life; and

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

WHEREAS, It is in the interest of all to plant and protect trees; and

WHEREAS, Troy desires to be recognized as a Tree City USA by The National Arbor Day Foundation and wishes to continue its tree planting ways;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Troy City Council hereby **PROCLAIMS** **May 6, 2016, May 5, 2017, and May 4, 2018 as Arbor Day in the City of Troy**, and urges all citizens to support our City's urban forestry program and to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

Signed this 12th day of October 2015.