Proclamation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

WHEREAS, *Arbor Day is now traditionally observed throughout the USA; and*

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

WHEREAS, *trees throughout our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and*

WHEREAS, *trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and*

WHEREAS, *trees properly planted and appropriately cared for contribute immensely to our wonderful city of which we are most proud.*

NOW THEREFORE, *I, Bill Gillespie, Jr., Mayor of the City of Prattville, Alabama do hereby proclaim Thursday, February 20, 2014 as*

ARBOR DAY

in the City of Prattville.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the City of Prattville on the 20th day of February 2014.

Bill Gillespie Jr.

Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.