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Mayor Commemorates Arbor Day by Planting a Tree in Memory of a Beloved Resident

Today, Mayor James J. Fiorentini planted a tree to commemorate Arbor Day in memory of Renee Pelletier Costa, a resident of Haverhill that will be missed for her leadership and inspiration. Joining the Mayor at the dedication was Renee's husband, Sean Costa along with their four children and Renee's sister and her daughter.

Renee was trained as an RN and graduated from nursing school in 1994. Renee was a relentless volunteer and an inspiration to everyone. She was a 'box top coordinator' for her children's school and was always involved in her children's activities. Whether it was Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts or family time, Renee was always in the middle of it.

Arbor Day (from the Latin arbor, meaning tree), was first celebrated on April 10, 1872 and an estimated one million trees were planted on that day. Arbor Day is a holiday in which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant and care for trees.

Mayor Fiorentini stated:

“Renee was a wonderful person, daughter, mom, wife and friend.

“The tree that we are planted today will live hundreds of years, giving Renee's family and friends a place to visit to reflect on her life for many years to come.

“Renee was a leader and advocate and she will be missed.”



Pictured above (L-R) Mayor James J. Fiorentini and Sean Costa next to the new tree.