



***A PROCLAMATION OF THE COUNCIL  
FOR THE TOWN OF ABINGDON  
RECOGNIZING JUNE 3-8, 2019  
NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK***

**WHEREAS**, Gardeners have a passion for nurturing the beauty and resources of the earth through the planting of seeds, the care of all plants and the riches of their efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Gardeners seek to add beauty, splendor, fragrance and nutrition to our lives through the growing of herbs, vegetables, foliage and flowers; and

**WHEREAS**, Gardeners work to preserve our country's traditional spirit of independence and initiative through innovation and hard work; and

**WHEREAS**, Gardeners advocate the importance of all creatures, large and small, that share our world and their roles in a balanced and productive ecology; and

**WHEREAS**, Gardening furnishes a challenge and productive activity for many citizens, for those just learning as well as those having years of experience; and

**WHEREAS**, Gardening promotes a healthy lifestyle that lasts a lifetime, helps reduce stress from other areas of our life, teaches that rewards can come from diligent efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Gardening enables members of Garden Clubs across the nation and the world to serve others in the communities where they reside and work;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, J. Wayne Craig, Mayor of the Town of Abingdon, do hereby proclaim that that in an effort to acknowledge the importance of Gardening and the numerous contributions of Gardeners, National Garden Clubs, Inc., designates the week of June 3-8, 2019 as National Garden Week.

**TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA**

BY: J. Wayne Craig  
Mayor