

## A PROCLAMATION OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF ABINGDON RECOGNIZING JUNE 4 – 10, 2023 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 challenging 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, Amanda Pillion, Mayor of the Town of Abingdon, do hereby proclaim the importance of gardening and the numerous contributions of Gardeners and designate the week of June 4-10, 2023, as National Garden Week.

TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA

BY:

Mayor Amanda Pillion