

~PROCLAMATION~

WHEREAS, the Washington State University Extension Master Gardener volunteer program is celebrating 45 years of service to people of our state; and

WHEREAS, this model of volunteer service, emulated in all 50 states and numerous foreign countries, was founded by Washington State University in 1973; and

WHEREAS, there are 3,524 Washington State University Extension Master Gardener volunteers who served more than 287,000 Washington state residents in 2017; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated volunteer educators use their love of gardening to enhance natural resources and environmental stewardship, improve the health and wellness of Washington residents, and create and sustain vibrant communities and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Master Gardener program sets a remarkable example of voluntary community service by giving over 309,000 hours and returning to Washingtonians more than 10 times the funds expended on the program's maintenance.

NOW THEREFORE, we, the Clark County Council, hereby proclaim the week of Sept. 23-29, 2018 as

~Washington State University Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Week~

in Clark County, Washington, and urge all citizens to join this special observance.

Signed this 25th day of September, 2018

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