

Resolution No. 2017 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE 60th ANNIVERSARY OF THE VACA VALLEY GARDEN CLUB AND THEIR CONTINUED VOLUNTEERISM AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, The Vaca Valley Garden Club was founded on August 28, 1957 by a group of local women with a passion for gardening. They wanted to share their knowledge with others by inviting fellow gardeners and those interested in gardening to meetings held at their homes. Beyond sharing information about establishing gardens, growing and propagating flowers, the group also had a desire to help in their community as well; and

WHEREAS, contributions to the community include: renovations to the Vacaville Museum gardens in partnership with the Solano Resource Conservation District; establishment of a Blue Star Memorial marker at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery; renovation and maintenance of a garden area at Alamo Creek Park and landscaping of the Andrews Park CreekWalk; donation of a public bench at the Vacaville Public Library; assistance in setting up and maintaining school gardens; and the donation of trees for the McBride Senior Center. The club has continuously donated to Penny Pines for the Tahoe National Forest Restoration Program; and

WHEREAS, the club, which is a 501(c)3 non-profit, is one of more than 350 garden clubs in California as members of the National Garden Clubs, Inc., in the Sacramento River Valley District. The club has more than 60 members ranging in age from their mid-forties to the mid-nineties and include several members of the University of California Cooperative Extension Master Gardener program; and

WHEREAS, a goal of the club is to make its community better for all through an emphasis on the environment, educating others, making gardening kid friendly and using water wisely. Vaca Valley Garden Club members accomplish this through hosting informational programs, including: "Encouraging Youth to Garden," by California Garden Clubs President Sue Bennett; "Sick or Problem Trees," by Rhett Richardson of Solano Shade; as well as tours to notable gardens, flower shows and nurseries in and around northern California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the 60th anniversary of the Vaca Valley Garden Club and their continued volunteerism and community engagement in Vacaville and Solano County.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2017

JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk