

PROCLAMATION

The Year of the Garden

WHEREAS 2022 marks the centennial of Canada's horticulture sector; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Garden Council is committed to celebrating the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our cities and the lives of Canadians in terms of health, quality of life, reconciliation, inclusion and environmental challenges; and

WHEREAS gardens and gardening have greatly helped us face the challenges of the COVID pandemic and make it possible to view the recovery with optimism; and

WHEREAS Canadians across the country will be invited to commemorate Canada's garden heritage, celebrate today's vibrant garden culture and create legacies for a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS the Year of the Garden 2022 will engage Canadians with: our garden culture and history; the importance of public and private gardens and our urban landscapes; the health and well-being benefits of gardening; the values and aesthetic benefits of gardens; the positive environmental impact of gardens as well as the important contribution of horticulture professionals to our garden culture, our quality of life and the economy of Canada; and

WHEREAS the Year of the Garden 2022 will be an opportunity for new and seasoned garden and gardening enthusiasts, families, schools, and tourists alike to go out into their own garden, visit a public garden, urban park or garden centre, participate in a garden activity or even a festival to stimulate and increase their garden and gardening passion,

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Mayor Ted Walker do proclaim

2022

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The Year of the Garden

in the Township of Tay

in celebration of the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our municipality and the lives of our citizens in terms of health, quality of life and environmental challenges.

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