



City of St. Charles

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Proclamation

MAY 16, 2018

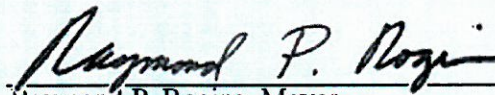
POTTAWATOMIE GARDEN CLUB DAY
90TH ANNIVERSARY

- WHEREAS,** The Pottawatomie Garden Club began in 1928 as the Junior Garden Club of St. Charles with 25 charter members; and
- WHEREAS,** In the 1930s the Club planted poplar and crabapple trees along the Fox River and planted trees at school for Arbor Day; and
- WHEREAS,** The Club participated in the Seeds for Democracy and Victory Garden programs during World War II; and
- WHEREAS,** The Club has donated extensive landscaping projects at the Library, Pottawatomie Park, the Beith House, the Durant Peterson House, LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve, Garfield Farm, the Baker Memorial Church, Tri-City Health Partnership, Living Well Cancer Center and the CASA Children's Garden to name a few; and
- WHEREAS,** The Club has given an annual Landscape Commendation Award since 1989 to recognize local St. Charles business; and
- WHEREAS,** The Club since 1978 has placed plantings on the downtown bridges, and in addition provides plantings at the Municipal Center, the Veteran's Memorial and along Main Street; and
- WHEREAS,** The Club, for several years, has been responsible for maintaining the Bob Leonard Walkway along the west bank of the Fox River for the River Corridor Foundation; and
- WHEREAS,** The Club has awarded one or two generous scholarships each year since 1992 to St. Charles students who are majoring in a Horticulture-related field; and
- WHEREAS,** The City has provided a bench along the Fox River on which the Club has placed a commemorative plaque in recognition of their 90th Anniversary. This was dedicated following the May 16th downtown planting.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, do hereby proclaim May 16th as **Pottawatomie Garden Club Day** in the City of St. Charles and encourage our residents to admire the wonderful work the Club provides to our City and thank them for bringing 90 years of beauty to our City.

SEAL:




Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor