



40th PROCLAMATION DRAFT TEMPLATE

The University of California Master Gardener Program 40th Anniversary

Whereas: 2020 marks the 40th year of University of California's Master Gardener Program; and

Whereas: The UC Master Gardener Program has grown to serve 52 counties, the program is a leader in sustainable gardening outreach that customizes curriculum to meet the needs of local landscapes and the diversity of California's residents; and

Whereas: The 30,983 trained and 6,154 currently active volunteers of the UC Master Gardener Program are devoted to preserving California's precious resources; including conserving its water, reducing pesticide use, and reducing green waste in our landfills; and

Whereas: The outreach provided by the UC Master Gardener Program is making a positive difference in food security across our state; teaching Californians how to grow edible plants, expand the type of varieties grown, and reducing produce loss in home and community gardens; and

Whereas: People in communities across California are applying more sustainable landscaping practices in their yards, schools and community gardens because of the impactful outreach by the UC Master Gardener Program; and

Whereas: In addition to improving the landscapes and community gardens across the state, UC Master Gardener volunteers encourage Californians to embrace a more active lifestyle through gardening and spending more time outdoors; improving the health, and overall well-being of California's residents; and

Whereas: The UC Master Gardener Program provides a direct link between local communities and the University, fostering a local community connection to UC academics, resources and research; and

Whereas: The outreach provided by the UC Master Gardener Program will continue to have a positive impact on our communities and residents; and



Therefore: I, [NAME AND TITLE], do hereby proclaim this [Date AND YEAR], as UC Master Gardener Program day, and hereby call upon all [CITIZENS, OFFICIALS] of California thereof to render support to the members of this organization and to make themselves aware of the UC Master Gardener Program, whose volunteers are providing meaningful outreach to our homes, schools and community.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused a seal of [NAME] to be affixed, on this, the [DATE] day of [MONTH], [YEAR].

[NAME, TITLE]

[SIGNATURE]