

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, the Davis Islands Garden Club, originally organized in 1936 as the Circle of Tampa Federation, was chartered in 1953 and today has approximately 100 members dedicated to the beautification, environmental health, and community development of Davis Islands located in Tampa, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the nonprofit Davis Islands Garden Club is to promote Davis Islands, encourage the growing of flowers, plants and shrubbery in private and public places, cooperate in protecting birds and wildlife, aid in protecting and conserving natural resources, further the education of gardening, horticulture and nature for members and the public, and, as a member organization, uphold and promote the objectives of the Florida Federation of Gardens Clubs, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, in beautifying the Davis Islands community, the organization works with the City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Department by planting trees in public areas, maintaining the Apex Park near the community's entryway, decorating during the holiday season and keeping the Davis Islands Garden Club facility beautifully landscaped with native and water saving plants that attract birds and butterflies; and

WHEREAS, the Davis Islands Garden Club encourages member participation in Davis Islands civic associations and neighborhood watch programs, contributes to Tampa's Ronald McDonald House and Hudson Manor Nursing Home on Davis Islands, offers the use of its meeting facility to civic and nonprofit organizations at no charge, and creates and presents inspiring and educational programs on design and horticulture, including the Junior Gardeners Program that gives young people the opportunity to experience gardening; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 in celebration of the Davis Islands Garden Club's 60th Anniversary past club Presidents from 1975 to present, representing 28 years of service, will be honored and the members will reminisce on all that has been accomplished over the past six decades; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida do hereby proclaim January 9, 2013 as

"DAVIS ISLANDS GARDEN CLUB ANNIVERSARY DAY"

in the City of Tampa, Florida and urge all residents to join me in thanking the members of the Davis Islands Garden Club for all they do to improve the beauty of the community and congratulate them on this 60th Anniversary milestone.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 9th day of January, 2013.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

