

# Proclamation



*Bob Buckhorn, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, the gardeners of the United States produce the food which feeds our citizens and permits us to export our abundance to other countries, thereby helping to preserve our traditional spirit of independence and initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, gardening instills in our people a greater respect and care for our environment and our natural resources, thereby furnishing a challenging and productive full or part-time activity for a large number of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, our gardens also yield foliage, flowers and herbs which add beauty, fragrance and nutrition to our lives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Davis Islands Garden Club, originally organized in 1936 as the Circle of Tampa Federation, was chartered in 1953 and today has nearly 100 members dedicated to the beautification of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the club members are committed to encouraging the growing of flowers, plants and shrubbery in private and public locations, the protection of birds and wildlife, the protection and conservation of natural resources, the education of their members and the public in gardening, horticulture and nature studies, and to uphold and promote the objects of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs and the National Garden Clubs, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, on Wednesday, June 5, 2013 in celebration of National Garden Week, the members of the Davis Islands Garden Club will conduct an evening tour of several Davis Islands homes to admire the landscaping and gardens of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, in honor of the beauty found in our city as a result of gardeners and their skills, the City of Tampa wishes to join the Davis Islands Garden Club in the annual celebration of National Garden Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida do hereby proclaim June 2-8, 2013 as

## **“NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK”**

in the City of Tampa, Florida and urge all residents to join in the activities planned for this celebration.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

