



*The City of Minneapolis*  
A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

## Recognizing The Garden Club of America

WHEREAS: The Garden Club of America (GCA) is a volunteer, nonprofit 501(c)3 organization comprised of 200 member clubs and approximately 18,000 club members throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS: The purpose of The Garden Club of America is to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening, to share the advantages of association by means of educational meetings, conferences, correspondence and publications, and to restore, improve and protect the quality of the environment through educational programs and action in the fields of conservation and civic improvement; and

WHEREAS: In 2016, the National Park System (NPS) will mark its 100th anniversary. The Garden Club of America has strong ties with the NPS, believing that our country's national parks are irreplaceable treasures whose value is incalculable; and

WHEREAS: The GCA 2016 Annual Meeting was purposefully set along the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area to honor the NPS 100th year; and

Whereas: The theme of the GCA meeting is *Journey to the Heartland: Sky Blue Waters, Amber Fields, Green Forests*, and the 2016 Planning Committee requests that the 35W Bridge be lit in its color scheme of green, blue, and yellow on the 21st day of May, 2016.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the City Council of the City of Minneapolis recognizes The Garden Club of America the 21st day of May, 2016, and that the 35W Bridge shall be lit green, blue, and yellow on this day.

Signed, sealed, and presented this the 18th day of March in the year 2016.

FOR THE COUNCIL:

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Barbara A. Johnson, *President of City Council*

APPROVED:

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Betsy Hodges, *Mayor*

ATTEST:

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Casey Joe Carl, *City Clerk*