

HONOR MAY 22, 1999, AS OPEN GARDEN DAY

- WHEREAS, preserving the greater Bay Area's natural beauty and bountiful agriculture and, at the same time, meeting the needs of our dynamic and diverse urban population is one of the greatest challenges facing all of us who live here; and
- WHEREAS, community vitality, a sustainable future for our city, and stewardship of our regional agriculture is of the highest importance for the health, beauty and pride of our neighborhoods; and
- whereas, citizens and residents of the City of Berkeley, are meeting this challenge through the creation of innovative projects such as farmer's markets, urban market gardens, neighborhood community gardens, creek restoration projects, horticultural job training programs, and hands-on science and nutrition education in school gardens and after-school programs; and
- WHEREAS, the gardening and greening projects in the City of Berkeley benefit the whole city by bringing communities together to share the most basic needs and pleasures: growing fresh, nutritious food and beautiful flowers to grace our lives; and
- WHEREAS, gardens and greening projects around the Bay Area will be open for public education and celebration on Open Garden Day, May 22, 1999.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Berkeley City Council does hereby proclaim the day of May 22, 1999, to be

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in the City of Berkeley and invites all citizens and residents of Berkeley to support and participate in the day's events and activities.

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