## Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Plantation Garden Club was founded in August 1963 as the Park Planters Garden Club of Plantation, and is celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2013; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, they joined Federated Garden Circles of Fort Lauderdale and became Hibiscus Garden Circle; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 they became an independent club and changed name to Plantation Garden Club; and

WHEREAS, members meet each month in order to educate and inform members and guests about south Florida gardening, native plants and trees, Everglades restoration, care of our own environment, the City's Tree Program and other environmental issues and programs; and

WHEREAS, just a few of their projects include the Butterfly Garden restoration and maintenance at Plantation Historical Society; two memorial trees planted in Botanical Garden and one in Rae Carole Armstrong Liberty Tree Park; and garden projects at Mirror Lake and Peters Elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, the Plantation Garden Club held an Annual Plant and Rummage Sale at Plantation Community Center, the proceeds of which provide financial support for Plantation High Rocket Club, South Plantation High Solar Car Club, and Horticulture Departments at both schools; and financial support for Hands on Broward community garden project at the Soref Jewish Community Center, located on Sunrise Boulevard: and

WHEREAS, members will continue outreach programs to benefit the City of Plantation and its schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diane Veltri Bendekovic, Mayor, and the City Council of Plantation, Florida, do hereby proclaim August 14, 2013 as

"Plantation Garden Club Day"

in the City of Plantation, and urge its residents to thank them for 50 years of encouraging environmental, horticultural and landscaping excellence in the City of Plantation.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Plantation to be affixed this 14th day of August, 2013.

Diane Veltri Bendekovic, Mayor