

**WHEREAS,** the Volunteer Membership of the Collin County Master Gardener's Association (MGA) is affiliated with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of the Texas A&M University system and has served residents of McKinney, Texas, since 1997; and

**WHEREAS,** the Collin County MGA mission is to assist and support the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Horticulture Agent in providing research-based information on sustainable horticultural practices and environmental stewardship; and

**WHEREAS,** Collin County Master Gardeners, with 89 McKinney resident volunteers, have dedicated nearly 150,000 community service hours in the past five years; and

**WHEREAS,** the awareness of environmental stewardship, water conservation and biodiversity enhancement, is vital to the health and welfare of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Collin County Master Gardener's Association provides free science-based horticultural information through the Ask the Master Gardener Booth, the Plant Information Center help line, garden caretaking and public education services, the Speakers Bureau, and many other resources accessible online at www.ccmgatx.org; and

**WHEREAS,** the organization's premier educational event, The Garden Show, is free and open to all, and will be held the weekend of March 18-19 at Myers Park & Event Center in McKinney, Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE C. FULLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 2023, AS

## **ASK A MASTER GARDENER MONTH**

IN MCKINNEY, TEXAS, ENCOURAGING EVERYONE TO SUPPORT AND UTILIZE THE HORTICULTURAL SERVICES AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FAITHFULLY PROVIDED BY THE COLLIN COUNTY MASTER GARDENER'S ASSOCIATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR CITY AND OUR CITIZENS.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY, MARCH 7, 2023.

GEORGE C. FULLER, Mayor
ATTEST:
EMPRESS DRANE, City Secretary