



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FOUNDATION FOR HISTORIC CHRIST CHURCH, INC.**

June 25, 2020

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Foundation for Historic Christ Church, Inc., hereby recognizes and celebrates the Centennial of the Garden Club of Virginia as a significant milestone; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby commends the Garden Club of Virginia for actively taking on Historic Christ Church in May 1966 as a restoration project, working with our Foundation to oversee the initial commissioning, executing and paying for the architectural landscape plan of Ralph E. Griswold that encompasses the Churchyard, burying ground, north visitor parking lot and the associated driveways and walkways at this Virginia and National Historic Landmark; and

WHEREAS, in 1966 the Churchyard wall reconstruction was complete and in 1967 the cedar allee brick path was constructed to the west entrance of the Church; the “historic row of goodly cedars” recreated; simple plant material known in 1732 of dogwood, holly, sweetgum, magnolia, pine, red oak, viburnum, bittersweet, clematis, Cherokee roses, Periwinkle, English ivy, St. Johns-wort and daylilies were planted; the Kelley family burial plot restored and the north visitor parking lot was completed with the dedication ceremony on May 21, 1968; and

WHEREAS, with annual inspections since, by a designated liaison of the Garden Club of Virginia Restoration Committee with our Foundation’s Chair of Horticulture, recommendations were made so that in 2013, aging dogwoods were replaced by white Redbud trees that flourish today in section one of the modern burying ground and in 2019, with the renovation of the original north visitor parking lot crape myrtle replaced sweet gums in the medium; and,

WHEREAS, in honor of the Centennial Celebration of the Garden Club of Virginia, the Foundation for Historic Christ Church was provided with the crew of Bartlett Tree Experts for a day of service on April 14, 2020 , supervised by Brandon Frazier in the Northern Neck office, which included assessment of this restoration property’s needs, pruning and debris removal and a three-year plan for onsite trees and shrubs; and,

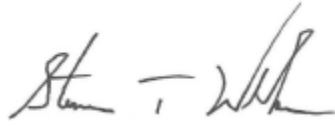
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors recognizes the dedicated volunteer efforts of all the Garden Club of Virginia Restoration Committee liaisons since 1966, Mrs. James Bland Martin thru Mrs. Dianne Spence; along with the

enthusiastic commitment of Mrs. Mary K. Hoerneman, Chair of the Foundation's Horticulture Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Foundation for Historic Christ Church hereby supports and endorses continuing this special relationship with the Garden Club of Virginia to help beautify the grounds at one of America's great buildings.



Jill M. Worth, FHCC *President*



Stevenson T. Walker, FHCC *Secretary*