

HB

420

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

RECAP OF
HB 420

Alaska Garden Week

Received January 17, 1990
by Reps. Hudson, C. Davis

Heard February 6, 1990

Passed Out of Committee February 6, 1990
4 Do Pass
1 No Recommendation

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred: January 17, 1990

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: _____

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

HB 420

HOUSE BILL NO. 420

ALASKA GARDEN WEEK

"An Act establishing Alaska Garden Week."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- [] be replaced with _____ [] the same title
- [] have attached amendment(s) [] a new title
- [X] do pass
- [] do not pass
- [] no recommendation
- [] individual recommendations
- [] additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):
(Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS:
(Date/Dept)

- [] fiscal impact _____
- [X] zero fiscal note SA
- [] zero with analysis _____

- [] fiscal note(s) _____
- [] zero fiscal note(s) _____
- [] zero fn/analysis _____

SIGNING DO PASS:

SIGNING:
(Check approp. column)

	Do Not Pass	No Rec	Amend
_____ <i>[Signature]</i>	X		

 Chairman's Signature

STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION : _____
PUBLISH DATE : _____

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
Title: Alaska Garden Week

Agency Affected: _____
BRU: _____

Sponsor: Hudson
Requestor: _____

Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

No fiscal impact.

Prepared by: House State Affairs
Division: _____
Approved by Commissioner: H. A. "Red" Boucher, Chair
Agency: _____

Phone: 465-4963
Date: Feb 02, 1990
Date: Feb 02, 1990

- Distribution (by preparer) :
- Legislative Finance
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 - Impacted Agency(ies)

Alaska State Legislature



REPRESENTATIVE BILL HUDSON

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(907)465-3744 or 4991

January 18, 1990

COMMITTEES:

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JAN 22 1990

Representative H. A. Boucher,
Chairman
House State Affairs Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Representative Boucher:

HB 420 relating to establishing Alaska Garden Week, was referred to the House State Affairs Committee on January 17, 1990.

This bill seeks to establish the week of June 1 - 7 as Alaska Garden Week. I introduced it at the request of the Alaska State Garden Club, and I believe this bill has statewide support.

Copies of proclamations by the governor, the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., and by Juneau's Former Mayor Polley are enclosed. All of the proclamations point out that gardening instills a sense of pride in our respective communities, a sense of independence and well being, and also fosters a greater awareness of our natural environment.

Similar legislation was introduced in the 15th Alaska Legislature; SB 86 by Senator Duncan passed the Senate unanimously.

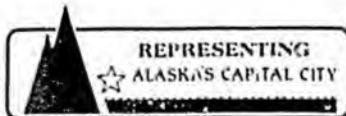
It would be very much appreciated if you would schedule HB 420 for an early hearing in the House State Affairs Committee. If you or your staff need further information, please contact me or Landa Holtan at 3744 or 4991.

Respectfully,

Bill
Bill Hudson

BH:Lh

Enclosures



National Council Legislation Chairman, will thru 7 with pride in your membership and direct this activity.

Celebrate National Garden Week June 1

"Pride in the Land".

The
National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.



GARDEN WEEK RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS:** the gardeners of the United States produce the food which feeds our people and permits us to export our abundance to other countries; and
- WHEREAS:** our gardeners help to preserve our traditional spirit of independence and initiative; and
- WHEREAS:** gardening instills in our people a greater respect and care for our environment and our natural resources; and
- WHEREAS:** gardening furnishes a challenging and productive full or part-time activity for a large number of our citizens; and
- WHEREAS:** our gardens also yield herbs, foliage and flowers which add beauty, fragrance, and nutrition to our lives: Now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED:** that the week of the first Sunday in June 1986 be designated as:

NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK,

and that all of the people of our United States observe the week with educational activities and projects that stress the benefits of gardening, and

that gardeners share food from their gardens with less fortunate citizens and share flowers and plants with nursing homes, shut-ins and friends.

Proclaimed by me on this twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord 1986.



John Nicholas Fenner
MRS. JOHN NICHOLAS FENNER, PRESIDENT

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, gardening, without a doubt, improves the scenic values of property, contributes a beneficial impact to entire neighborhoods and provides exercise that can improve good health. Gardening can promote individual and community pride and the beauty it creates is one benefit beyond price.

WHEREAS, through the years, the Juneau Garden Club has been a positive influence for the aesthetic good in our community. Juneau Garden Club members have provided inspiration and valuable information so that residents of this community can reap the pleasures of personally growing and then witnessing the beauty of the flowers, trees, shrubs, lawns or vegetable gardens they have planted.

WHEREAS, the large planter boxes lining the Juneau Motors Parking Lot is a major example of the Juneau Garden Club's visual impact upon the City and Borough of Juneau. Members volunteered to assist the Parks and Recreation Department in planting and maintaining the planters. Other municipal sites such as the airport, high school and hospital have also benefited from the volunteer efforts and expertise of the Juneau Garden Club.


BE IT RESOLVED that I, Ernest E. Polley, Mayor of the City and Borough of Juneau, deem it an honor and a pleasure to publicly thank the Juneau Garden Club for their many contributions and inspiration. I, now therefore, proclaim the first week in June, 1988 as

JUNEAU GARDEN CLUB APPRECIATION WEEK

I ask that residents publicly express their admiration for both public and private examples of outstanding gardening in their community, to consider planting flowers and vegetable gardens, and to reflect on the importance of agriculture to our economy and our whole way of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska, to be affixed this 27th day of May, 1988.




Ernest E. Polley, Mayor

Executive Proclamation

by
Steve Cowper, Governor

The growing of flowers and vegetables is important to the citizens of Alaska. Flowers add beauty to the lawns of private homes, parks, and public places.

The growing of vegetables means Alaskans are more self-reliant and import less food from the "Lower 48." It means Alaskans can increase their nutritional state by eating fresh vegetables rich in vitamins, while at the same time cutting their cost of living by paying less for imported vegetables.

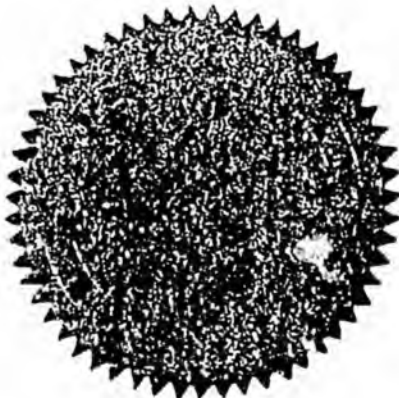
Gardening, in general, is a positive habit. It improves the scenic value of property, contributing a beneficial impact to entire neighborhoods, and provides exercise which can improve good health. Gardening can promote individual and community pride, and the beauty it creates is one benefit beyond price.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Cowper, Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby proclaim the week of June 1 - 7, 1988, as:


GARDEN WEEK

in Alaska, and at the request of the National Council of State Garden Clubs and the Alaska State Federation of Garden Clubs, ask residents to publicly express their admiration for both public and private examples of outstanding gardening in their local communities, to consider planting flowers and vegetable gardens, and to reflect on the importance of agriculture to our economy and our whole way of life.

DATED: May 17, 1988



Done by


Steve Cowper, Governor,
who has also authorized
the seal of the State of
Alaska to be affixed to
this proclamation.

ALASKA STATE GARDEN CLUB
ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT
1986-1987

Senator Jim Duncan of Juneau, Alaska introduced Senate Bill 86 in the Alaska State Legislature January 27, 1987 at the request of Peggie Garrison, President, Juneau Garden Club.

Senate Bill 86, "An Act establishing Alaska Garden Week," would amend Alaska Statute 44.12 by adding a new section to read:

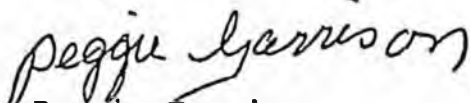
Sec. 44.12.070. ALASKA GARDEN WEEK. Alaska Garden Week / is established from June 1 to June 7 of each year to recognize the importance of gardening to Alaskans and to encourage participation by the public in activities sponsored by the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., celebrating National Garden Week.

During the 1987 legislative session, the undersigned testified on six different occasions in support of Senate Bill 86.

The bill was referred to the Senate State Affairs Committee and Senate Resources Committee. It was approved by both of these committees and passed the full Senate unanimously February 27, 1987.

The 1987 Alaska Legislature adjourned without House action on Senate Bill 86. When the Alaska Legislature is again convened, the bill will be heard in the House State Affairs, Resources and Judiciary Committees before it comes up for a vote before the full body of the House of Representatives.

If the House of Representatives passes Senate Bill 86 without amendment, it will be forwarded to the Governor for his signature and become law.



Peggie Garrison
Legislative Chairman



National Garden Week



June 1 thru 7

By Mrs. Harold V. Pasley

With the theme of our National Council President, Mrs. John N. Fehrer "Pride in the Land" in particular focus this year, members of our 10,553 garden clubs will celebrate National Garden Week June 1 thru 7, the first full week in June. Although observances will be varied in form, National Garden Week is an event which brings a sense of togetherness among us and a sense of pride in membership in a garden club federated with the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., the largest organization in the world devoted to gardening in its broad context. Community residents will respond favorably to well-planned observances and these provide our organization with visibility in a very positive way — the ideal climate for securing new club members.

A strong, nation-wide effort to project National Garden Week and "Pride in the Land" is now in progress under the direction of Mrs. Graem Yates, Fourth Vice-President and Promotion Coordinator, National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., who has completed plans with the McDonald Corporation to carry this message:

Show "Pride in the Land"
Observe National Garden Week
June 1 thru 7
National Council of State
Garden Clubs, Inc.

on its community service readerboards located in the interior of each restaurant throughout our country.

National Garden Week is our opportunity to tell the story of gardening and its benefits; aesthetic, economic and therapeutic and to tell the story of the importance of garden clubs. Let it be known that the idea of a National Garden Week originated in The National Council of State Garden Clubs.

Whatever may be the form of observance, do relate it to your garden club, your state federation and our National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. and to our

May/June 1986

National Council President's theme "Pride in the Land".

Television and radio stations schedule community service time with advance reservation. It will be an educational experience to participate in a "talk show" not only discussing horticultural practices but also explaining selected National Council programs relating them to your area when applicable, our conservation and environmental concerns and our contributions to the betterment of our country. In a shopping mall, set up a display or a "how to do" exhibit including information about your own club and its projects. Place an artistic design in a location where it can be appreciated. Plan something special for garden therapy.

Within the past year, commercial interests related to gardening, combined their efforts and introduced SJR 136 in the U.S. Senate to hold a "National Gardening Week" beginning on April 13, 1986. The Resolutions passed in the Senate on June 18, 1985. Soon thereafter, a corresponding Resolution was introduced in the House of Representatives (HJR 266) which is, as of this writing, yet in the Post Office/Civil Service Committee. It is understood that, should this Resolution become a reality, its duration would be for one year.

Be that as it may, together we will continue on to work, without interruption, for our National Garden Week.

So much work has already been done in that direction by so many people in our organization that it seems in order to proceed to accomplish what is evident our members want, a National Garden Week, in perpetuity.

A number of our states have enacted in their state legislatures a Bill to establish a Garden Week the first full week in June of each year. It is the goal that all states will have such legislation by June 1987, the conclusion of the present biennium. We will then have achieved a National Garden Week for always. Mrs. J. Murray Blue,

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I believe 17
states have
a check on the
date!

NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK

Chairman, Jerry Tubb (Mrs. K.O.)
1575 Old Mill Road
Germantown, TN 38138
901-754-7412

Over ten years ago National Council initiated the idea of National Garden Week to recognize gardening activities. It also gave us an opportunity for pride in our federated membership and our local and national accomplishments. National Garden Week is the perfect vehicle to promote National Council, increase membership, publicize activities, show gardening activities and results, and to generate interest in all aspects of garden club work. Our goals for this administration are:

1. To have all states issue proclamations proclaiming the first full week in June as National Garden Week and, whenever possible, to have these proclamations issued in perpetuity. 17 states have already had their proclamations so issued.
2. To have all regions and states appoint National Garden Week Chairmen.
3. To publicize the first full week in June as National Garden Week through the media, public service announcements, reader boards, exhibits, flower shows, and membership drives.
4. To recognize clubs, districts, and states for their efforts in promoting National Garden Weeks with the following award.

NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK AWARD

Awarded for the best promotion of Garden Week. Promotion to create public awareness of National Garden Week and the plant world. Awarded to (A) Club, (B) District, and (C) State

Scales of Points			
<u>A and B</u>	Club and/or District	<u>C</u>	State
Scope of participation	30	Scope of participation	30
Community awareness	25	Community awareness	25
Educational Value	25	Educational value	20
Presentation	10	Presentation	10
Publicity	10	Publicity	10
	<u>100</u>	State Proclamation	5
			<u>100</u>

This award will be a certificate presented at the 1990 and 1991
This award will be a certificate presented at the 1990 and 1991 Conventions.

Suggestions for National Garden Week Promotions: Flower shows held in public buildings or malls, gardening tips in local papers and on television shows, presentation of plants or arrangements to public officials, educational exhibits in spring shows, and publicity on any aspect of garden club work.

SUGGESTED PROCLAMATION

for

GARDEN WEEK: JUNE 4 - 10, 1989

WHEREAS: the gardeners of this country produce a multitude of foods for our people and enable us to export to other countries which are in desperate need: and

WHEREAS: our gardeners help to preserve and foster our traditional spirit of independence and individual initiative: and

WHEREAS: gardening instills in our people, both young and old, a greater appreciation for nature, in general, and for our beautiful land in particular: and

WHEREAS: such appreciation naturally leads to a greater respect and care for our environment: and

WHEREAS: gardening in addition to being most beneficial for our country, furnishes a pleasant and productive full or part-time activity for a large number of our citizens: and

WHEREAS: our gardens also yield flowers of great variety and breathtaking beauty: and

WHEREAS: these flowers bring beauty into our lives and satisfy our aesthetic needs:

now, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED THAT THE WEEK OF JUNE 4 - 10, 1989 be designated as GARDEN WEEK.

Proclaimed by me on this day of , in the year
of our Lord 1989

NAME

TITLE

Item 4

ALASKA STATE FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS



Member of the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.

Mrs. Albert J. Silk (Linda)
2801 Bennett
Anchorage, Alaska 99517
(907) 243-8825

January 26, 1990

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JAN 29 1990

Representative H.A. "Red" Boucher
Chairman House State Affairs Committee
Alaska State Legislature
102 Capitol
P.O. Box V (MS 3100)
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Representative Boucher:

As President of the Alaska State Federation of Garden Clubs, I am writing to urge you to support the passage of House Bill No. 420 "An Act establishing Alaska Garden Week".

This bill proclaiming the first full week in June Alaska Garden Week in perpetuity has the wholehearted support of all our garden club members throughout the state of Alaska representing twelve garden clubs located in the following cities, Anchorage, Wasilla, Fairbanks Skagway, Kodiak, Haines, Ketchikan, North Pole, and Juneau.

We are non-profit, educational, conservationist volunteers. We are concerned with all aspects of gardening and landscaping. We are concerned with beautification of our homes, communities, industrial areas and roadsides. We are concerned with the wise use and protection of our natural resources as well as with preservation and restoration.

Alaska Garden Week is our opportunity to tell the story of gardening and its benefits; aesthetic, economic and therapeutic. We are affiliated with the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. which is attempting to have the first week in June proclaimed Garden Week throughout all fifty states and the District of Columbia. Seventeen states have already had their proclamations so issued.

Our garden clubs have been of service in communities throughout Alaska since the 1940s. The passable of this bill will show your appreciation of our conservation and environmental concerns and our contributions to the betterment of our country.

Sincerely,

Linda

Linda L. Silk

Item 5



COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

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January 30, 1990

Red Boucher, Representative
State Affairs Chairman
Capitol, Room 102
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Juneau, AK 99811

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Dear Representative Boucher:

I was very pleased to see the introduction of House Bill 420 which would establish an Alaskan Garden Week. June is a more appropriate time to promote gardening in our state than during National Garden Week in April.

Alaskans take pride in producing beautiful flowers and vegetables. The establishment of Alaska Garden Week would allow garden clubs, agencies and horticultural businesses to promote gardening and encourage the beautification of our communities.

The horticulture industry would also benefit by establishment of Alaska Garden Week. Horticulture businesses are important to the state. They represent an \$18 million dollar industry as last reported by the USDA Alaska Agricultural Statistics Service. I hope you will support House Bill 420. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Julie Riley
Extension Horticulture Agent

JR/dmm

