## **PROCLAMATION**

- WHEREAS, the week of September 10, 2023, has been designated as "National Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week" in order to celebrate and recognize professionals who provide support to millions of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and
- WHEREAS, this celebration recognizes the dedication and vital role of direct support professionals in enhancing the lives and protecting individuals with disabilities of all ages; and
- WHEREAS, the community plays a role in lifting up direct support professionals as integral in supporting the needs of people with disabilities and their families through service systems across the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the goals of this city properly give recognition to those who directly help people with disabilities gain full access to housing, employment and the recreation activities which help create productive and satisfying lives, and to live as independently as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Deborah Oyler, Mayor of the City of Garden City, Kansas, do hereby proclaim the week of September 10, 2023 as

## DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS RECOGNITION WEEK

in Garden City, Kansas and call upon the citizens to observe the week with appropriate programs and activities. Furthermore, I encourage the citizens of Garden City to seek information from those organizations with expertise in matters concerning professionals who support individuals with intellectual and development disabilities.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 5th day of September, 2023.

ATTEST:	Deborah Oyler, Mayor
Celyn N. Hurtado, City Clerk	-