



Resolution Honoring Susan Lowry

Upon Her Retirement from the Garden Conservancy Board of Directors

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry joined the Garden Conservancy Board of Directors in 2008 and served in many capacities, including as chair of the board's Preservation Committee since 2015, and participating on the Executive, Nominating, and Long Range Planning Committees, the 25th Anniversary Celebration Committee (2014), the CEO Search Committee (2016), and the Strategic Planning Steering Committee (2019);

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry shared her knowledge of garden history and design and her professional experience in journalism in many ways in her work with fellow board members, Garden Conservancy Fellows and members, and staff;

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry led the board's Preservation Committee, providing much-appreciated advice and energy on many preservation projects, including extensive work for the Chase Garden and for the rehabilitation of Blithewood Garden, as well as guidance on the advocacy, conservation easement, and the garden documentation programs;

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry spread awareness and enriched appreciation of America's gardens and green spaces through her many books written in collaboration with Nancy Berner, including *Garden Guide: New York City* (2002), *Gardens of the Hudson Valley* (2010), *Gardens of the Garden State* (2014), and *Private Gardens of the Bay Area* (2017);

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry further spread the gospel about gardens and gardening at Garden Conservancy events, including book talks and a Digging Deeper presentation, as well as lecturing frequently at public gardens and maintaining an active Instagram feed of inspiring images and commentary;

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry served as the Garden Conservancy's representative on the boards of Stonecrop Gardens and Greenwood Gardens;

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry co-chaired an informative and memorable Society of Fellows garden-study tour of the Hudson Valley in 2019;

WHEREAS, Susan Lowry generously supported many Garden Conservancy programs and projects financially as well, including a significant gift to the endowment campaign;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Garden Conservancy that it is a great pleasure to recognize the significant contributions Susan Lowry has made to the Garden Conservancy, to name her a Director Emerita, and to convey our best wishes to both Susan and Glenn, her husband, for continued success, happiness, good health, and good gardening;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be included in the minutes of the Board and that a copy be sent to Susan Lowry to share with her family and friends.

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