

Y OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING OCTOBER AS NATIONAL ARTS & HUMANITIES MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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WHEREAS, October has traditionally been designated as National Arts and Humanities Month with coastto-coast collective recognition of the importance of culture in America while also encouraging exploration of new facets of the arts and humanities that can lead to a life-long appreciation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors formed the County Arts Commission in 1977 to support and encourage participation in, and access to the arts for all county residents; and

WHEREAS, through its rotating public gallery exhibitions, County Administration Buildings and it dynamic partnerships with arts presenters and producers, the Arts Commission provides diverse outreach and education programs to communities throughout Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, according to the Americans for the Arts, Arts & Economic Prosperity IV, released in June 2012, nonprofit arts and culture are a significant industry in Santa Barbara County, generating an estimated \$124 million in total economic activity and supporting 3,587 full-time equivalent jobs; and

WHEREAS, through its Community Arts Enrichment Grant program, the Arts Commission, in partnership with the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation, provides funding support to arts and cultural organizations Countywide that serve to engage youth and families in the arts and culture of our region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims October as National Arts & Humanities month, commends the artists and cultural organizations for the vital role they play in building community, maintaining and preserving cultural traditions, fostering innovation and enhancing the economy and our quality of life for all residents in our community.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 7th day of October, 2014 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

4th District

5th District