



SARASOTA COUNTY GOVERNMENT
SARASOTA, FLORIDA

Proclamation:

Whereas, the month of October has been recognized for more than two decades as National Arts and Humanities Month by thousands of arts and cultural organizations, communities, and states across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress; and

Whereas, the arts and humanities embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect, and imagination of humankind, enriching the lives of Americans and playing a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities, and our country; and

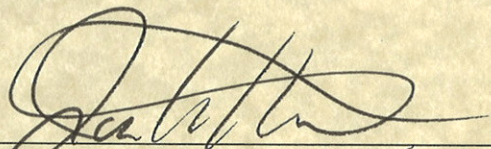
Whereas, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our national economy by generating \$166.2 billion in total economic activity annually, supporting the full-time equivalent of 5.7 million jobs, and locally providing over 3,025 peoples with full-time employment, contributing more than \$130 million to our local economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2009 as


National Arts and Humanities Month

in Sarasota County and call upon our citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our nation, and to specifically encourage participation by citizens taking action for the arts and humanities in our towns and cities.

PRESENTED this fourteenth day of October 2009.



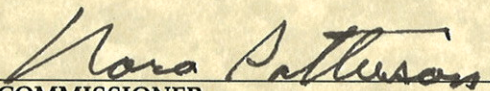
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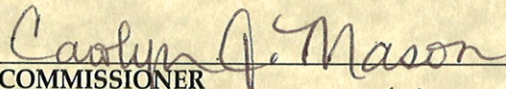
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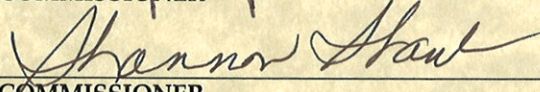
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