

PROCLAMATION

California Arts Day – October 4, 2013 and National Arts and Humanities Month

WHEREAS, for more nearly three decades, thousand of arts and cultural organizations, communities, and states across the country have joined the White House and Congress in recognizing October as **NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH**; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect, and imagination of humankind and inspire and enrich the lives of every American; and

WHEREAS, the Governor, State Legislature and California Arts Council have declared October 4th as **CALIFORNIA ARTS DAY** coinciding with **NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH**; to demonstrate the role and value of arts and culture throughout our state and to encourage residents to explore, participate and engage in what's offered by local arts organizations; and

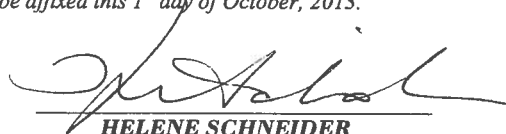
WHEREAS, the City grants over \$447,000 annually in city funds to non profit organizations in support of art and culture in our City through its 29th year partnership with the County Arts Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City also grants over \$189,000 annually for iconic citywide cultural events, such as Summer Solstice Celebration, Old Spanish Days, and the Santa Barbara International Film Festival; and

WHEREAS, the City acknowledges the vital and vibrant role of artists enriching our quality of life while fueling innovation and our local economy,

NOW THEREFORE, I, HELENE SCHNEIDER, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby proclaim October as **NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH** and **OCTOBER 4th AS CALIFORNIA ARTS DAY** in Santa Barbara, and encourage citizens to celebrate, participate, and promote the arts and culture in our community for the betterment of future generations.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 1st day of October, 2013.



HELENE SCHNEIDER

Mayor

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