

National Arts and Humanities Month October 2006

WHEREAS, for more than two decades, thousands of arts and cultural organizations, communities, and states across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress have recognized 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 enrich the lives of every American; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities play a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities, and our country; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our economy by generating \$134 billions in economic activity annually and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 4.85 million jobs,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTY BLUM, 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 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 WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 26th day of September 2006.

Marty Blum MARTY BLUM, MAYOR