City of Santa Barbara

PROCLAMATION

National Arts and Humanities Month And California Arts Day – October 5, 2007

***WHEREAS**, for more than two decades, thousand of arts and cultural organizations, communities, and states across the country have joined he 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 enrich the lives of every American; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Governor, State Legislature and California Arts Council have declared October 5th as **CALIFORNIA ARTS DAY** coinciding with **NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH**; to encourage residents to explore what's offered by local arts organizations and to demonstrate the role and value of arts and culture throughout our state.*

***WHEREAS**, the City grants over $400,000 annually in city funds to non profit organizations in supports of art and culture in our City through its 26 year partnership with the County Arts Commission; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City also grants over $150,000 annually for citywide events, such as Summer Solstice, Old Spanish Days, the Santa Barbara International Film Festival and the 4th of July Symphony concert; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City acknowledges the vibrant role of artists in our local quality of life and local economy,*

***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 HUMANTIES MONTH and OCTOBER 5TH 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 2nd day of October, 2007.*

Marty Blum

MARTY BLUM, MAYOR

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