

Whereas, the month of October has been recognized as National Arts and Humanities Month by thousands of communities, cities, and states across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress; and

Whereas, the Arts and Humanities enhance the senses, stimulate creativity, and enrich every American; and

Whereas, the Arts and Humanities play a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities, and our country, and help embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect, and imagination of humankind; and

Whereas, National Arts & Humanities Month is an opportunity for everyone to help change public perception and promote the crucial role of the arts and humanities in promoting individual wellbeing, addressing trauma, connecting cultures, highlighting inequities, and making our communities healthier and stronger.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of the City of Rockville, Maryland, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as National Arts and Humanities Month in Rockville, Maryland, and call upon our residents to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our nation, and to specifically encourage the greater participation by those said residents in taking action for the Arts and Humanities in their towns and cities.

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