

PROCLAMATION

BY MAYOR JOEL GREER

WHEREAS, the nation's 120,000 nonprofit arts organizations, the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the nation's 4,500 local arts agencies, and the arts and humanities councils of the 50 states and the six U.S. jurisdictions have regularly issued official proclamations on an annual basis designating October as National Arts and Humanities Month;

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

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Arts & Culture Alliance continues to carry this message to the people of Marshalltown through programs and experiences that support and amplify the efforts of artists, musicians, creators, historians, teachers, and cultural groups working to make the arts and humanities a part of everyone's life.

WHEREAS, the humanities help diverse communities across the United States explore their history and culture with the support and partnership of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the 55 state and territorial humanities councils, and local educational and cultural institutions;

WHEREAS, the arts and culture industry also strengthen our economy by generating \$166.3 billion in total economic activity annually, \$27.5 billion in government revenue, and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 4.6 million jobs and driving tourism and commerce;

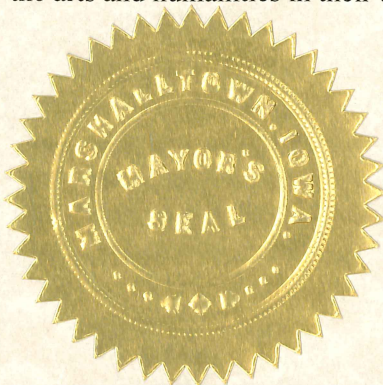
WHEREAS, in the wake of the pandemic many Iowa artists and creative businesses are still struggling to rebound so showing your support of local artists and organizations is more important than ever;

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Arts & Culture Alliance continues its work to cultivate a community of arts and culture by supporting, promoting, and enriching existing opportunities and by seeking new possibilities to reach their mission to focus on enhancing the quality of life in Marshalltown by making it a place in which arts and culture thrive and our community flourishes;

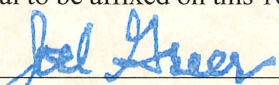
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Joel T.S. Greer of the City Marshalltown do hereby proclaim October as

National Arts and Humanities Month

in Marshalltown, Iowa and call upon our community members to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our nation and to specifically encourage the greater participation by those said community members in taking action for the arts and humanities in their towns and cities.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused my seal to be affixed on this 16th day of October, 2020.



Joel Greer, Mayor
City of Marshalltown