

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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To proclaim the month of October as National Arts & Humanities Month in the City of Columbus.

WHEREAS, National Arts & Humanities Month has been celebrated since 1993 and is coordinated by Americans for the Arts, the national organization working to empower communities with the resources and support necessary to provide access to all arts for all people; and

WHEREAS, National Arts & Humanities Month is a coast-to-coast collective celebration of culture in America and is the largest annual celebration of the arts and humanities in the nation; and

WHEREAS, a study by the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum suggests that students with access to the arts performed better in six categories of literacy and critical thinking skills; and

WHEREAS, a thriving arts and humanities community is integral to attracting and retaining talented young people as well as increasing cultural and economic development in the city; and

WHEREAS, the arts industry attracts tourism dollars-today's fastest growing economic market in the country, generating \$134 billion annually in economic activity, supporting 4.9 million jobs, and returning more than \$24 billion in total government revenue nationally; and

WHEREAS, in the City of Columbus, arts organizations citywide are celebrating National Arts and Humanities Month with special events and encouraging families and individuals to incorporate the arts into their lives; now, therefore;

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That the Columbus City Council does hereby proclaim the month of October as National Arts & Humanities Month in the City of Columbus.