SAMPLE PROCLAMATION

OCTOBER IS ARTS MONTH

in the Pikes Peak Region

Whereas, the month of October has been recognized as National Arts and Humanities Month by thousands of arts and cultural organizations, communities, and states across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress for more than two decades:

Whereas, the arts and humanities embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect, and imagination of humankind;

Whereas, the arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives of every American, including those of us living in the Pikes Peak region;

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

Whereas, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our national economy by generating \$166.3 billion in total economic activity annually (\$153.3 million in local economic impact), and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 4.6 million jobs across the nation (5,070 jobs locally);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I/we [name and title of elected official/body/or organization] do hereby proclaim October as Arts Month in Colorado's Pikes Peak Region and call upon our citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in [name of community] and to specifically encourage the greater participation by those said citizens in taking action for the arts and humanities in their community.