

## PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

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

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

**WHEREAS**, the arts and humanities enrich the lives of every American and play a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities, and our country; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our economy by generating \$166.3 billion in total economic activity annually and by supporting the fulltime equivalent of 4.6 million jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Wake has supported cultural activities in the County for decades, most recently through the approval of a Public Art Resolution in 2016 and a public art policy in 2017;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims October as

## Arts and Humanities Month

in Wake County and encourages every citizen to celebrate and enjoy the wonderful arts and culture offered in our County.

**ADOPTED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018.

Jessica N. Holmes, Chair Wake County Board of Commissioners