



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAMATION
Recognizing October as
National Arts and Humanities Month**

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of the arts and humanities; and

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 our Federal government 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 arts and humanities are an important part of achieving Wake county's equity goals; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit arts industry, though greatly impacted by the pandemic, remains an important economic driver and aspect of quality of life for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the County of Wake has supported cultural activities for decades through partnerships with the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County, and the work of the Office of Raleigh Arts and Raleigh Arts Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wake County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim October 2020 as

NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

and urges the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to celebrate, support and enjoy local arts and culture.

ADOPTED this the 19th day of October 2020.

Gregory D. Ford, Chairman
Wake County Board of Commissioners