

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

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; and

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

- WHEREAS, the arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives of every American; and
- *WHEREAS,* the arts and humanities 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 \$166.2 billion in total economic activity annually and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 5.7 million jobs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Teresa Coons, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim October 2010 as

"National Arts and Humanities Month"

in the City of Grand Junction and call upon all citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our nation and to specifically encourage the greater participation by those said citizens in taking action for the arts and humanities in their towns and cities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 4^{th} day of October 2010.

Mayor

