



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our nation's 95,000 nonprofit arts organizations and 4,500 local arts agencies, as well as the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the arts and humanities councils of our nation support the designation of October as National Arts and Humanities Month; 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, cities and states – through their local and state arts agencies and thousands of cultural organizations – celebrate the value and importance of culture in the lives of Americans and the health of thriving communities; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit arts industry strengthens our national economy by generating more than \$160 billion in total economic activity annually and more than \$25 billion in government revenue, and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 4.6 million jobs; and

WHEREAS, the creative economy drives tourism and commerce, supports American workers, and makes up an estimated 4.2 percent of the annual GDP; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages people to celebrate, promote, and invest in arts and culture in our nation and to support the arts and humanities in our cities, towns, and communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October, 2018, as “**NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-eighth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.