

Office of the Mayor
City of Sheboygan

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** the nation's 120,000 nonprofit arts organizations, the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the nation's 4,500 local arts agencies, and the nation's arts and humanities councils annually issue official proclamations designating 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 our families, our communities, and our country; and
- WHEREAS,** the humanities help diverse communities across the United States explore their history and culture; and
- WHEREAS,** the arts and culture industry strengthens our economy by generating \$166.3 billion in total economic activity annually, \$27.5 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, makes up 4.5% of the annual GDP, and proposed federal legislation titled The CREATE Act (S. 650 and H.R. 1519) and The PLACE Act (S. 3232) would support economic development of the creative economy.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mike Vandersteen, Mayor of the City of Sheboygan, do hereby proclaim October 2020 as

NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

in Sheboygan, and call upon our community members to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our nation and to encourage everyone's participation to take action to support the arts and humanities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Sheboygan to be affixed. Done this fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty.



MAYOR MIKE VANDERSTEEN