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Governor Hoeven Proclaims October Arts & Humanities Month in North Dakota



Governor John Hoeven has declared October 2009 as Arts and Humanities Month for the state of North Dakota. This came by way of an official proclamation from his office, which recognized that “the arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives of all citizens; and affect every aspect of life in America today including the economy, social problem solving, job creation, education, creativity, and community livability.”

(Jan Webb, Governor Hoeven, Brenna Daugherty)

North Dakota’s Arts and Humanities Month corresponds with a national celebration. The National Arts and Humanities Month is sponsored by a coalition of national organizations representing the arts and humanities. It provides all cultural organizations and agencies the opportunity to highlight the work they do for their communities. The celebration grew out of National Arts Week, which was started in 1985 by the National Endowment for the Arts and Americans for the Arts. For more information on the National Arts and Humanities Month, visit http://www.americansforthearts.org/get_involved/advocacy/nahm/default.asp.

A copy of Governor Hoeven’s proclamation is available via NDCA’s web site at www.nd.gov/arts; or you may request a copy by contacting the North Dakota Council on the Arts at (701) 328-7594 or e-mail amschmid@nd.gov.

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John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH
OCTOBER 2009


WHEREAS, the arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities affect every aspect of life in America today, including the economy, social problem solving, job creation, education, creativity and community livability; and

WHEREAS, the nation's 23,000 cultural organizations, the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the nation's 3,800 local arts agencies, the arts and humanities councils of the 56 states and U.S. jurisdictions, and the President of the United States are working together to promote the importance of arts and humanities nationwide; and

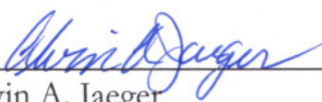
WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to participate in arts and humanities activities and celebrate the cultural and historical riches of our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 2009, **ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.



John Hoeven
Governor

ATTEST:



Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State