



## ROSWELL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

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 play a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities, and our country through impact on the economy, social problem-solving, job creation, education, creativity, and community livability; and

WHEREAS, Cities and states and thousands of cultural organizations have celebrated the value and importance of culture in the lives of Americans and the health of thriving communities during National Arts and Humanities Month for several years; and

WHEREAS, The nonprofit arts and culture industry in Roswell strengthens our economy by generating \$13.6 million in total economic activity annually, supporting the full-time equivalent of 418 jobs and generates \$1.2 million annually in local and state government revenue; and

WHEREAS, The twenty five arts and cultural organizations of Roswell also contribute significantly to our community's quality of life and should be acknowledged and recognized for all their contributions.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jere Wood, Mayor of the City of Roswell, do hereby proclaim October 2011 as Roswell Arts and Humanities Month and call upon all our citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our community by recognizing this special celebration and through participation in the cultural events offered throughout the City.

*In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the city of Roswell to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.*

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**JERE WOOD, MAYOR**