

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities are the embodiment of all things beautiful and entertaining in the world – the enduring record of human achievement; and

WHEREAS, the arts and humanities enhance every aspect of life in Illinois – improving our economy, enriching our civic life, driving tourism, and exerting a profound positive influence on the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, arts education research shows that the arts help to foster discipline, creativity, imagination, self-expression, and problem solving skills while also helping to develop a heightened appreciation of beauty and cross-culture understanding; and

WHEREAS, we use the humanities – history, literature, philosophy – to explore what it means to be human; and

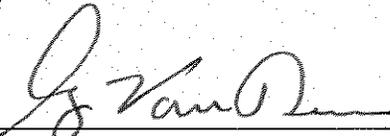
WHEREAS, the month of October has been recognized as National Arts and Humanities Month by thousands of arts and cultural organizations, communities, and states across the country, as well as by the White House and Congress for more than two decades.

THEREFORE, I, GEORGE VAN DUSEN, Mayor of the Village of Skokie, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2012 as

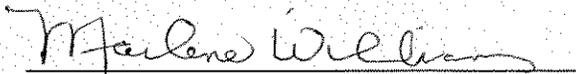
“ILLINOIS ARTS & HUMANITIES MONTH”

and call upon our citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our state and to specifically encourage the greater participation by those said citizens in taking action for the arts and humanities in their towns and cities.

Passed this 19th day of September 2012



George Van Dusen
Mayor



Marlane Williams, Village Clerk

