Council Meeting Date: October 16, 2006 Agenda Item: 2(a)

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Proclamation of Arts and Humanities Month

DEPARTMENT: CMO/CCK

PRESENTED BY: Scott Passey, City Clerk

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

October has been recognized across the country as National Arts and Humanities Month. This proclamation acknowledges that the arts and humanities are an invaluable part of the life of our citizens. Locally, institutions such as the Shoreline Historical Museum, the Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Arts Council, and the City of Shoreline work diligently to bring the benefits of the arts and culture to our community.

In addition to acknowledging the efforts of all the arts and cultural organizations, the proclamation also encourages greater participation by our citizens in the programs and projects brought forward on behalf of the arts and humanities.

Representatives of the Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Arts Council will attend the meeting to accept the proclamation.

RECOMMENDATION

No action is required.

Approved By: City Manage City Attorney ___



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, for more than a decade, the month of October has been recognized as National Arts and Humanities Month by thousands of communities, states, the White House and Congress; 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, the arts and humanities play a unique role in the lives of our families, our communities, and our country; and
- WHEREAS, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our economy by generating \$134 billion annually and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 4.85 million jobs; and
- WHEREAS, the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council, the Shoreline Historical Museum, the City of Shoreline Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department, the Shoreline School District, Shoreline Community College, our libraries, and other partners are engaged in the worthwhile endeavor of bringing the arts and humanities to our community; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline recognizes the immense value of the arts and humanities to our community and extends appreciation to all those who work so diligently to bring the arts and humanities into our lives.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Ransom, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim October, 2006 as

ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

and urge our citizens to discover, celebrate, participate in and take action for the wide variety of arts and humanities programs and activities available in our City.

Robert L. Ransom, Mayor