



National Lieutenant Governors Association

1 **Resolution in Recognition of National Arts & Humanities Month**

2 **WHEREAS**, the arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives of all Americans, and

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

5 **WHEREAS**, cities and states – through their local and state arts agencies and representing thousands of
6 cultural organizations – have celebrated the value and importance of culture in the lives of Americans
7 and the health of thriving communities during National Arts and Humanities Month for several years,
8 and

9 **WHEREAS**, Americans for the Arts will again coordinate this year a national awareness campaign of
10 activities for National Arts and Humanities Month, and

11 **WHEREAS**, the nation's 95,000 cultural organizations, the National Endowment for the Arts, the
12 National Endowment for the Humanities, the nation's 4,500 local arts agencies, the arts and humanities
13 councils of the 50 states and U.S. jurisdictions, and the President of the United States have participated
14 in the past and will be asked to participate again this year in this national celebration, and

15 **WHEREAS**, the nonprofit arts industry also strengthens our economy by generating \$166.3 billion in
16 total economic activity annually, \$27.5 billion in government revenue, and by supporting the full-time
17 equivalent of 5 million jobs, and

18 **WHEREAS**, the creative economy drives tourism and commerce, supports American workers, makes
19 up 4.5% of the annual GDP and supports economic development, and

20 **WHEREAS**, the month of October 2020 has been designated as National Arts and Humanities Month.

21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the National Lieutenant Governors Association urges
22 lieutenant governors and seconds-in-command to build partnerships with their local arts agencies and
23 other members of the arts and humanities community in their cities to proclaim, to participate in, and to
24 celebrate the month of October as National Arts and Humanities Month.

ADOPTED, this day, the 29th of July, 2020

Sponsors: Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist (D – Michigan), Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long (D – Delaware), Lt.
Governor Billy Nungesser (R – Louisiana)