

**CITY OF NAPA
PROCLAMATION**

***Arts & Culture Month
April 2017***

WHEREAS, The month of April has been recognized as a countywide celebration of the arts and local culture, known as Napa Valley Arts in April, by dozen of arts and cultural organizations, hundreds of individuals, and businesses across the county, as well as by the agencies of Visit Napa Valley and Arts Council Napa Valley for seven years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Napa has a rich history and emerging culture of celebration and expression through visual art, music, performance, public arts and other diverse crafts as represented in the resident arts community and diversity of daily cultural activities; and

WHEREAS, a group of residents have created a special celebration of this city's unique arts and culture to be held April 30, 2017, known as FLOWS: Arts at the River; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of residents from each town and city came together in the creation of the County of Napa's adopted Community Cultural Plan, which has been in place since 2008, and endorsed the following core values for all of Napa County:

- Self-expression is everyone's birthright.
- The arts serve as a common language.
- The arts are critical to healthy economy.
- The arts allow us access to our past, to ourselves, and to each other.
- The arts give us a sense of place and of home; and

WHEREAS, the arts and culture embody much of the accumulated wisdom, intellect, imagination of humankind, and enhance and enrich the lives of every resident.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Jill Techel, Mayor of the City of Napa, along with the City Council of the City of Napa, do hereby proclaim the **month of April 2017 as Napa Valley "ARTS & CULTURE MONTH"** and call upon our citizens to celebrate and promote arts and culture in Napa.

Dated: April 4, 2017

JILL TECHEL, MAYOR
CITY OF NAPA