



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

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, since 1993; 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 State of Rhode Island has clear evidence that the arts and humanities contribute significantly to our quality of life, the education of our citizens and the economy of our state; and

Whereas, the nonprofit arts and culture industry also strengthens the Rhode Island economy by generating approximately \$750 million in economic activity annually and by supporting the full-time equivalent of over 13,000 jobs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD L. CARCIERI, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM,

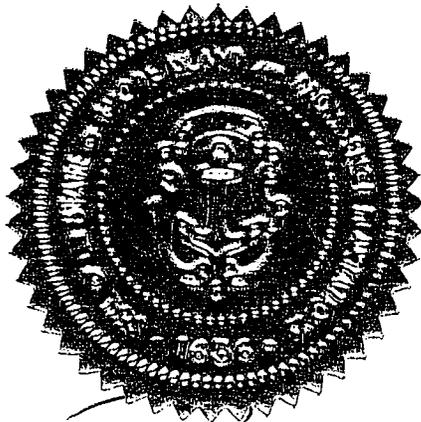
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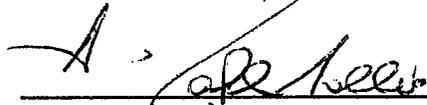
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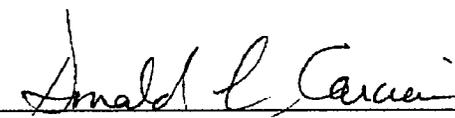
in the State of Rhode Island and call on all citizens to join me celebrating and promoting the arts and culture in our nation and our state, and to specifically encourage greater participation in taking action for the arts and humanities in our cities and towns.

In recognition whereof, I have hereby set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations to be hereunto affixed this 1st day of October 2010.





A. Ralph Mollis
Secretary of State



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor