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## PROCLAMATION of the City of Morgan Hill Proclaiming March 2017 as Arts Education Month

- **WHEREAS,** the City of Morgan Hill is committed to supporting the arts to inspire and prepare youth for success in the 21st century and allowing them to develop as productive, contributing members of a strong community, and;
- **WHEREAS,** we share the vision that residents have access to high-quality arts education, that is culturally-relevant and inclusive, in all forms as part of a comprehensive education that sparks curiosity, imagination, creativity and joy;
- **WHEREAS,** Artspiration is a county-wide arts education initiative focused on professional development, student engagement, and advocacy and communication;
- WHEREAS, arts-learning strategies and arts integration help teachers to recognize and build upon critical thinking skills, curiosity, flexibility, communication, innovation, collaboration and are the traits required for post-secondary and workplace success;
- **WHEREAS,** each March, Arts Education is celebrated in local schools, schools districts, community arts organizations and larger communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Steve Tate, Mayor of the City of Morgan Hill on behalf of the City Council and all residents, hereby proclaim the month of March 2017 as Arts Education Month and in doing so, encourage arts in our community and celebrates youth creativity, inspiration and joy through artistic expression.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Morgan Hill to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017.

Steve Tate, Mayor