## CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, arts education, which includes dance, music, theatre, and the visual arts, is an essential part of basic education for all students, kindergarten through 12th grade, to provide for balanced learning and to develop the full potential of their minds; and

WHEREAS, through well-planned instruction and activities in the arts, children develop initiative, creative ability, self-expression, self-reflection, thinking skills, discipline, a heightened appreciation of beauty, and cross-cultural understanding; and

WHEREAS, our community is committed to supporting the arts to inspire and prepare students for success; and

WHEREAS, March is nationally recognized as Arts Education Month, which is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of teaching the arts to students as well as to recognize the contributions of arts educators in our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Alison Hicks, Mayor of the City of Mountain View, do hereby proclaim the month of March as

## YOUTH ARTS MONTH

in the City of Mountain View, California.

Signed and sealed this 1st day of March 2023.

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ALISON HICKS, MAYOR