

CITY OF MILPITAS PROCLAMATION

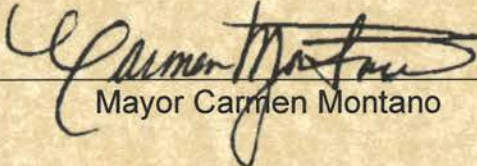
- WHEREAS,** the City of Milpitas is committed to supporting the arts and to inspire and prepare students for success, allowing them to develop as productive, contributing members of a strong community, and;
- WHEREAS,** we share in the vision to ensure that students have access to high quality arts education that is culturally relevant and inclusive, sparking curiosity, imagination, creativity and joy; and
- WHEREAS,** the Santa Clara County Office of Education's Artspiration is a county-wide arts education initiative, focused on professional development, student engagement, advocacy and communication; and
- WHEREAS,** Artspiration has established partnerships throughout the county and the state to strengthen the support and advocacy for youth arts within Santa Clara County; and
- WHEREAS,** Artspiration is leading the way in local arts education by providing free training for Teaching Arts to those who support students in kindergarten through grade 12 on the California Arts Standards for Public Schools; and
- WHEREAS,** according to the California Department of Education, Fine Arts are taught in almost 60,000 classes in Santa Clara County; and studies have proven that arts learning strategies and arts integration help teachers to recognize and build upon critical thinking skills, curiosity, flexibility, communication, innovation, and collaboration; and
- WHEREAS,** each March Arts Education is celebrated in local schools, school districts, community arts organizations, and larger communities.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Carmen Montano, Mayor of the City of Milpitas and on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2023** in Milpitas as

YOUTH ARTS MONTH

Proclaimed this 7th Day of March 2023




Mayor Carmen Montano