



## City of Harrisonburg, Virginia

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Deanna R. Reed  
Mayor

### A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MARCH AS YOUTH ART MONTH

**WHEREAS**, art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary, middle, and secondary students; and

**WHEREAS**, art education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities; and

**WHEREAS**, art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities; and

**WHEREAS**, art education give students a deeper understanding of multicultural values and beliefs; and,

**WHEREAS**, art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics; and

**WHEREAS**, our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including arts experiences in all students' education; and

**WHEREAS**, support should be given towards art teachers as they strengthen art education in their schools and communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, I, Deanna R. Reed, mayor, of the city of Harrisonburg, do hereby proclaim March 2018 be observed as Youth Art Month and I urge all citizens to take interest in and give full support to quality school art programs for children and youth.

GIVEN under my hand this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2018.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deanna R. Reed, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pamela Ulmer, Deputy City Clerk