

Proclamation

THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF ART ON THE STREETS MONTH June 2018

- WHEREAS,** Art on the Streets was created 20 years ago through Downtown Ventures, a charitable nonprofit arm of Downtown Partnership, by Colorado Springs businesswomen Mary Jean Larson and Judy Noyes as a way to enliven Downtown Colorado Springs; and
- WHEREAS,** in its 20 years, Art on the Streets has brought nearly 300 works of art to the city center by artists from across the region, the state, the nation and the world; and
- WHEREAS,** Art on the Streets is generously supported by lead sponsors US Bank and Nor'wood Development Group as well as many other sponsors, foundations and individual donors, and the program sustains itself without taxpayer support; and
- WHEREAS,** Art on the Streets has been honored through the years with local, state and national awards and recognition, and contributed to Downtown's designation as a State Certified Creative District; and
- WHEREAS,** Public art beautifies our city, encourages a walkable environment, lures new business and tourism, fosters dialogue and public engagement, and instills community pride; and
- WHEREAS,** Public art is visible and accessible to all people at no cost, and Art on the Streets continues to be enjoyed by hundreds of thousands of people of all ages, races and socioeconomic status; and
- WHEREAS,** Art on the Streets has contributed substantially to the City of Colorado Springs' permanent collection of public art through the program's purchase and donation to the City of more than 30 works of art, as well as the funds to maintain those works;

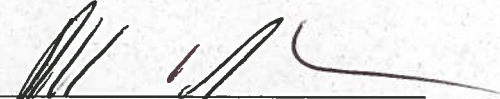
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Richard Skorman, President of Colorado Springs City Council, do hereby proclaim June 2018 as

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In the city of Colorado Springs, and call upon our citizens to celebrate, explore and enjoy the diversity and quality of public art in Downtown, to include the works in the 20th annual Art on the Streets exhibit launching this month.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Colorado Springs to be affixed this month of June 2018.


Richard Skorman, President