

# HIGHLINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## *PROCLAMATION*

**WHEREAS**, THE ARTS EMBODY MUCH OF THE ACCUMULATED WISDOM INTELLECT, AND IMAGINATION OF HUMANKIND; AND

**WHEREAS**, LEARNING IN THE ARTS ENHANCES AND ENRICHES THE LIVES OF ALL STUDENTS; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE ARTS PLAY A UNIQUE ROLE IN THE LIVES OF OUR FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITIES; AND

**WHEREAS**, ALL CHILDREN DESERVE A QUALITY ARTS EDUCATION; AND

**WHEREAS**, ARTS EDUCATION CAN TEACH CREATIVE PROBLEM-SOLVING AND CULTURAL KNOWLEDGE; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE ARTS OFFER MULTIPLE PATHWAYS TO UNDERSTANDING FOR DIFFERENT TYPES OF LEARNERS; AND

**WHEREAS**, ARTS EDUCATION INCREASES CONNECTIONS BETWEEN TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND THEIR COMMUNITIES;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOHN P. WELCH, SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHLINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY, AS

### ***ARTS EDUCATION MONTH***

IN HIGHLINE, AND I CALL UPON ALL HIGHLINE CITIZENS TO CELEBRATE AND PROMOTE THE ARTS IN OUR SCHOOLS AND TO TAKE ACTION TO PROVIDE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO ARTS LEARNING FOR ALL STUDENTS IN OUR LEARNING COMMUNITIES.

SIGNED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2009

JOHN P. WELCH, SUPERINTENDENT