Office of the Mayor
Fairbanks North Star Borough
Alaska

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The study of art leads to a fuller, more meaningful life; and

WHEREAS, Art education provides substantial educational benefits to all elementary, middle and secondary students; and

WHEREAS, Art education develops students' creative potential and improves problem-solving and critical thinking skills by reinforcing and bringing to life what students learn in other subjects; and

WHEREAS, Art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order and other expressive qualities, and also gives students a deeper understanding of multi-cultural values and beliefs; and

WHEREAS, Art education advances student mastery in art production, art history, art criticism and aesthetics; and

WHEREAS, Our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including art's experiences in all students' education; and

WHEREAS, The National Art Education Association, in conjunction with the Fairbanks Arts Association strive to improve the wellbeing of our communities by upgrading visual awareness of the cultural strengths of the Fairbanks North Star Borough and the United States as a whole; and

WHEREAS, The residents of the Fairbanks North Star Borough have joined the National Art Education Association and the Fairbanks Arts Association supporting the youth of our community in their intellectual development through artistic endeavors, and offering support to our committed art teachers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bryce Ward, Mayor of the Fairbanks North Star Borough, do hereby proclaim:

March 2020
As
Youth Art Month

All residents are urged to give their full support to quality school arts programs for our youth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of February 2020.

Bryce Ward
Mayor

ATTEST:
April Trickey, CMC
Borough Clerk