

**Village of Arlington Heights Proclamation
In Recognition of
Theatre in Our Schools Month and
Music in Our Schools Month
March 2024**

WHEREAS, historically, March has been the designated month to celebrate the impact of theatre and music within our school communities and to encourage communities across the nation to focus on arts education, and;

WHEREAS, the schools in the Village of Arlington Heights boast a diverse experience in both of these subject areas with amazing drama, band, and music programming, and;

WHEREAS, audience-based participation in the arts and personal participation in creating art are both linked to higher levels of civic engagement and social tolerance, and;

WHEREAS, arts education helps to increase students' ability to manage behavior, make decisions, and cultivate a positive concept of self, and;

WHEREAS, Theatre in Our Schools Month and Music in Our School Month provide an opportunity for thousands of students and educators to draw attention to the benefits of arts education and to heighten awareness of the importance of arts education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor of the Village of Arlington Heights, along with the Arlington Heights Village Board of Trustees, do hereby recognize March as Theatre in Our Schools Month and Music in Our Schools Month. The Arlington Heights community and schools work to enrich the youth through the arts and it is clear through engagement with local programs and events that the community values both of these subjects.

Thomas W. Hayes

Thomas W. Hayes, Mayor

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