

WHEREAS, it is one of the responsibilities of the Mayor of the City of Westerville to recognize occasions of outstanding significance;

WHEREAS, in 1974, the first Westerville Area Chamber of Commerce Music and Arts Festival was held; and

WHEREAS, this Festival has been going strong for 39 years and has been a summer highlight for area residents; and

WHEREAS, this Festival started out as a small “street fair” with only 50 artists exhibiting their work and has now grown to include more than 150 fine artists and craftspeople from around the country; and

WHEREAS, the Music and Arts Festival has changed venues several times through the years to handle the growing crowds of an estimated 18,000 people for the weekend event; and

WHEREAS, the 40th Annual Musical and Arts Festival will be held on July 13 and 14, 2013 in Heritage Park and Everal Barn featuring artists, craftspeople, live music, youth exhibits, silent auction, and children’s activities.

NOW THEREFORE, I Kathleen Cocuzzi, Mayor of the City of Westerville, do hereby proclaim July 13 and 14, 2013 as the

“40th ANNUAL MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL WEEKEND”

in Westerville and I urge all residents to attend the Festival that offers something of interest for every age group.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused my seal to be affixed this 18th day of June, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Kathleen Cocuzzi, Mayor