



PROCLAMATION

**50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SANTA BARBARA
ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW**

May 16, 2015

***WHEREAS**, the Santa Barbara Arts and Crafts Show was established in 1965 by Robert Eischen, a retired Santa Barbara architect and painter; and*

***WHEREAS**, Mr. Eischen was inspired by the sidewalk art shows of Europe and the prestigious "Jardin del Arte" in Mexico City; and*

***WHEREAS**, the show, originally called the Domingo Art Show, began with a small group of artists in De La Guerra Plaza; and*

***WHEREAS**, the show soon outgrew the Plaza and in 1966, with the sponsorship of the City's Parks and Recreation Department, the show's name was changed to the Sabado and Domingo Art Show and the event moved to Cabrillo Boulevard; and*

***WHEREAS**, In 1971 the show invited local crafts people to join and in 1972, the name was changed to the Santa Barbara Arts and Crafts Show; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Santa Barbara Arts and Crafts Show is the only continuous, non-juried arts festival of original drawings, paintings, sculpture, crafts and photography in the world; and*

***WHEREAS**, every Sunday and some Saturdays, Cabrillo Boulevard transforms into a celebration of arts and crafts created by approximately 200 Santa Barbara County artisans; and*

***WHEREAS**, millions of visitors from around the world have delighted in the original creations of local artists, making the Santa Barbara Arts and Crafts Show one of the major tourist attractions in Santa Barbara.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, I HELENE SCHNEIDER**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California do hereby recognize May 16, 2015 as the 50th Anniversary of the Santa Barbra Arts & Crafts Show.*

***IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 12th day of May 2015.*



HELENE SCHNEIDER

Mayor