

Proclamation



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Northampton Community Music Center 30th Anniversary October 30, 2016

- WHEREAS, The Northampton Community Music Center was founded in 1986, with its first lessons and classes being held in a living room on Lyman Road; and
- WHEREAS, In 1997, the Northampton Community Music Center relocated to the historic South Street School, raising and spending more than \$1.25 million dollars over the past 18 years on renovations that earned the organization the honor of a Historic Preservation Award; and
- WHEREAS, Eight hundred and fifty youth and adult students are served each year in the 14 teaching studios, 2 recital halls, and the recording studio; and
- WHEREAS, No qualifying student has been turned away, with financial aid provided to approximately 140 students per year and scholarships for ten weeks of private lessons offered to three students from the JFK Middle School band program yearly; and
- WHEREAS, The Northampton Community Music Center currently employs 50 local music instructors teaching more than 20 different instruments and 25% of these teachers have over 20 years of employment with NCMC; and
- WHEREAS, The Northampton Community Music Center offers in-house and outreach programs providing instrument instruction, music therapy, special workshops, public concerts, and weekly live music for residents of local nursing homes; and
- WHEREAS, The Northampton Community Music Center continues to foster the love and pursuit of music in the community through quality musical education, performances, and activities that are accessible to all; and
- NOW,
THEREFORE, I, Mayor David J. Narkewicz, do hereby proclaim today a day of recognition for the Northampton Community Music Center. I ask all residents to join me in celebrating the 30th Anniversary of its founding and its continuing mission of fostering a love of music in our community.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and have imprinted the seal of the City, this 30th day of October, 2016.

Mayor David J. Narkewicz

