



## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** AMERICAN JAZZ IS THE MUSIC OF FREEDOM, INDIVIDUAL EXPRESSION, AND CREATIVITY ENJOYED BY PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND WITHIN THE CITY OF DES MOINES; AND,
- WHEREAS,** JAZZ MUSICIANS WHO, BY BIRTH OR BY CHOICE, HAVE DECIDED TO CALL DES MOINES THEIR HOME HAVE HAD A PROFOUND EFFECT, BOTH LOCALLY AND ON A NATIONAL LEVEL, ON GENERATIONS OF JAZZ MUSICIANS, AND HAVE PROVIDED YEARS OF MUSICAL ENJOYMENT AND ADVENTURE TO THEIR LOCAL FANS; AND,
- WHEREAS,** THE COMMUNITY JAZZ CENTER OF GREATER DES MOINES, A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OF JAZZ MUSICIANS, EDUCATORS, AND FANS, ESTABLISHED THE "DES MOINES' JAZZ HALL OF FAME" TO HONOR THE CITY'S JAZZ HEROES; AND,
- WHEREAS,** THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS YEAR'S AWARDS – DARTANYAN BROWN, BASSIST AND EDUCATOR; ROBERT WEAST, TRUMPETER AND EDUCATOR; PHIL MATTSON, EDUCATOR, SEYMOUR GRAY, MUSICIAN AND CLUB OWNER, AND HOWARD GRAY, MUSICIAN AND CLUB OWNER, WILL BE RECOGNIZED DURING A SPECIAL CELEBRATION OF DES MOINES' JAZZ ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2007.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, T.M. FRANKLIN COWNIE, MAYOR, DO HEREBY DECLARE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2007, AS:

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AND URGE THE RESIDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY TO RECOGNIZE AND SUPPORT JAZZ AND ALL OTHER CREATIVE ART FORMS THAT DEMONSTRATE THE DIVERSITY, CREATIVITY, AND EXPRESSIVENESS OF OUR CITIZENS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES TO BE AFFIXED THIS NINETEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, TWO THOUSAND SEVEN.

  
T.M. FRANKLIN COWNIE, MAYOR  
CITY OF DES MOINES

