



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 - DON HOY AND JIM OATTS WILL BE RECOGNIZED DURING A SPECIAL CELEBRATION OF DES MOINES' JAZZ ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, T. M. FRANKLIN COWNIE, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2008, AS:

DES MOINES' JAZZ HISTORY DAY

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, IOWA TO BE AFFIXED THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, TWO THOUSAND EIGHT.

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

