

GREENSBORO CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING THE 55TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EASTERN MUSIC FESTIVAL (EMF) IN GREENSBORO

WHEREAS, the Eastern Music Festival (EMF) was established in Greensboro in 1961 by Greensboro native Sheldon Morgenstern on the campus of Guilford College;

WHEREAS, throughout its six decades, EMF has focused on musical excellence in performance, education, and execution and has developed a national reputation as an important training ground for aspiring young performing artists to experience concert programming;

WHEREAS, students from around the United States and the world visit North Carolina every summer to study with internationally acclaimed musicians;

WHEREAS, 225 young artists and 80 professional faculty are expected to participate in EMF's upcoming 2016 season representing 36 states and 11 countries;

WHEREAS, EMF produces over 65 performances and events each summer across the Triad fostering professional collaboration, innovation and diversity;

WHEREAS, EMF boasts over 6,000 alumni; including acclaimed professional musicians performing in major national and international orchestras and working as professionals in other fields;

WHEREAS, EMF contributes to the local economy helping to bring business, revenue, and an educated workforce to the area;

WHEREAS, for 55 years EMF has played a role in our community by actively enhancing the quality of life in the Piedmont and throughout the state. The rich musical heritage that is the hallmark of EMF offers a cultural centerpiece for North Carolina.

WHEREAS, known as "North Carolina's Musical Treasure", EMF is an acclaimed artistic institution exemplifying a longstanding and prestigious part of the fabric of the Greensboro community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That it hereby recognizes and celebrates the 55th Anniversary of the Eastern Music Festival in Greensboro.

Adopted this the 7th day of June 2016.

