



CITY OF SANTA CRUZ  
CALIFORNIA

# Mayor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS WYNTON MARSALIS POSSESSES ONE OF THE GREAT VOICES IN JAZZ MUSIC, EDUCATING STUDENTS AROUND THE WORLD ABOUT AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSIC AND PROVIDING A VISION TO SHOWCASE STUDENT AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT, SERVICE, AND SUPPORT WITH THE HIGHLY SKILLED JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER ORCHESTRA, HAVING COMPOSED OVER 5,000 NEW CHARTS ARRANGED BY BAND MEMBERS; and
- WHEREAS WYNTON MARSALIS HAS PERFORMED MUSIC BY LOUIS ARMSTRONG, DUKE ELLINGTON, CHARLIE PARKER, DIZZY GILLESPIE, COUNT BASIE, CLARK TERRY, CLIFFORD BROWN, THAD JONES, AND MILES DAVIS TO DAVE BRUBECK, BENNY GOODMAN, CHIC COREA, BOBBY McFERRIN, AND MANY MORE; and
- WHEREAS WYNTON MARSALIS CAN PLAY ANY STYLE OF MUSIC, YET HIS FOCUS IS ON THE RIGORS OF STUDENTS LEARNING, THE DEVELOPMENT OF MUSIC EDUCATION, PROVIDING MUSIC SCORES FOR SCHOOLS, HARVARD LECTURES, AND MAKING AVAILABLE LIVE FREE INTERNET CONCERTS TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT JAZZ MUSIC, WHICH IS AN AMERICAN ART FORM; and
- WHEREAS WYNTON MARSALIS IS COMMITTED TO HELPING MUSICIANS IMPROVE THEIR CAREERS BY PARTICIPATING IN JAZZ SESSIONS; TAKING PICTURES AND VIDEOS; AND INSPIRING AND SUPPORTING ALL COMMUNITIES WHILE RECORDING, WORKING, AND TOURING THE WORLD WITH A LARGE GROUP OF AMAZING MUSICIANS; and
- WHEREAS WYNTON MARSALIS PROVIDES AN EXAMPLE OF HOW JAZZ MUSIC IS TAUGHT LIVE ON STAGE TO YOUNGER MUSICIANS TO PASS ON THE LEGACY FOR GENERATIONS TO COME, WHICH IS AN IMPORTANT MAJOR CULTURAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORLD, FROM AMERICA; and
- WHEREAS WYNTON MARSALIS IS AN AMAZING ROLE MODEL FOR THE YOUTH OF OUR CITY, WHILE ALSO ACTIVELY SUPPORTING MUSIC EDUCATION ONLINE, BACKSTAGE AT CONCERTS, AND ON OTHER PLATFORMS; and
- WHEREAS WYNTON MARSALIS IS A SHINING EXAMPLE OF HOW ONE CAN GROW TALENT IN ALL COMMUNITIES WITH GRACE AND SUPERB STYLE AND SHARE THE STAGE WITH OTHER AMAZING ARTISTS:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNN ROBINSON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 8, 2014 AS "WYNTON MARSALIS DAY" IN THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ AND ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN ME IN EXPRESSING HEARTFELT APPRECIATION FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MUSIC WORLD AND ENSURING THAT JAZZ MUSIC CONTINUES TO THRIVE.



  
LYNN ROBINSON, MAYOR

Signed and Sealed this 7<sup>th</sup> Day of March 2014