



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Fort Collins Symphony is the oldest arts organization and the only professional symphonic orchestra in Larimer County, and for 60 years has enriched our lives and served as an enduring cornerstone of our community's cultural foundation; and

WHEREAS, the all-volunteer, nonprofit Fort Collins Symphony Association provides programming guidance, financial support, talent recruitment and fiscal oversight for the Symphony; and

WHEREAS, a strong and long-standing partnership between the Fort Collins Symphony, Colorado State University, Poudre School District, Opera Fort Collins and Canyon Concert Ballet attracts talented professional musicians, performing artists, award-winning artistic direction, and thousands of ticket buyers to the City of Fort Collins; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Collins Symphony brings every 4th and 5th-grade Poudre School District student to the Lincoln Center to enjoy a free Symphony performance as part of its annual YES! Concert series; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Collins Symphony is embarking on its 60th season performing classical orchestral music of exceptionally high caliber, contributing to the intrinsic and economic vitality of the City of Fort Collins; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the leadership of former conductor Will Schwartz and current music director Wes Kenney, the Fort Collins Symphony is regarded as one of the premier cultural organizations in the region and is poised to build upon this tradition of excellence for years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Doug Hutchinson, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby recognize 2009 as the 60th anniversary of the

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and urge residents to attend a Fort Collins Symphony performance during its 60th Anniversary season, October 24, 2009 through May 8, 2010.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 20th day of October, A.D. 2009.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk