

PROCLAMATION OF RECOGNITION

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2016, the City of Muscatine was excited to welcome the world-renowned China Broadcasting Chinese Orchestra (CBCO) for a performance at the Central Middle School Auditorium that was free and open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the CBCO is a national level Chinese Orchestra established in 1953 as one of the five troupes of the China Broadcasting Performing Arts Troupe that has performed in more than 70 countries and regions to promote Chinese culture and art; and

WHEREAS, Glad Cheng and Daniel Wang of China Windows Group extended an invitation to CBCO to perform in Muscatine following performances in Chicago, Illinois, and Detroit, Michigan, as part of Chinese New Year Celebrations; and

WHEREAS, the China Windows Group saw the CBCO performance as an opportunity to further their mission of strengthening the relationship between the City of Muscatine and China; and

WHEREAS, many warm thanks are extended to Chinese Consul General Zhao Weiping for his gracious assistance in making the performance by the CBCO a reality in the City of Muscatine and for encouraging the strengthening of the Muscatine-China relationship; and

WHEREAS, the Muscatine-China Initiatives Committee, the Muscatine Symphony Orchestra and Muscatine Sister Cities worked closely with China Windows Group to coordinate the CBCO's performance in the City of Muscatine; and

WHEREAS, the City of Muscatine would also like to recognize those families who hosted the members of the CBCO and all other organizations that so graciously contributed their time to make this event such a great success; and

WHEREAS, with the strong cooperation between the parties responsible for bringing the CBCO to Muscatine, many community members and visitors to the community were able to attend a once in a lifetime performance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diana L. Broderson, Mayor of the City of Muscatine, do hereby extend my gratitude to the China Broadcasting Chinese Orchestra, Glad Cheng and Daniel Wang of China Windows Group, Chinese Consul General Zhao Weiping, the Muscatine-China Initiatives Committee, the Muscatine Symphony Orchestra, Muscatine Sister Cities, the many organizations too numerous to name, and the many host families that made this once in a lifetime performance for our community and its visitors a reality.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name to be affixed this 3rd day of March 2016.

Diana L. Broderson, Mayor