



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in April 1995, the City of Fort Collins Council, in recognition that art transforms ordinary spaces into meaningful places, thereby enhancing the quality of life of Fort Collins citizens, and to fulfill its wishes to expand the opportunity for public art to be accessible for all to enjoy, enacted the City Code that formed the Art in Public Places Program; and

WHEREAS, the program has created and maintained 186 capital and donated art projects, 450 transformer cabinet murals, 191 piano murals, and 431 pedestrian pavers within city limits, adding a total of 1,258 pieces of art to Fort Collins; and

WHEREAS, the program's mission is to encourage and enhance artistic expression and appreciation, and add value to the Fort Collins community through acquiring, exhibiting, and maintaining public art; and

WHEREAS, the Art in Public Places has been recognized for its many successes and innovations including graffiti abatement through Transformer Cabinet Murals, community building through Pianos About Town, beautification of City properties through integrated art projects, and many other accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, a celebration is planned on November 8 to mark Art in Public Places anniversary that will highlight public-art successes, bring awareness to the importance of public art, show appreciation to those who celebrate art within our community, recognize Board and Council members past and present, show gratitude to artists and City capital project teams, and encourage residents to enjoy the public art that is everywhere; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Collins seeks to celebrate with its residents the many ways that art in public places makes this a world-class community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Emily Francis, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim November 8, 2025, as the

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

in Fort Collins to celebrate that public art is a dynamic part of the Fort Collins identity. It is an economic engine, celebrates local history, enhances the visual environment, and promotes community for the City of Fort Collins and its residents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 3rd day of November 2025.

Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

City Clerk