

A Resolution of the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District
Pertaining to the Denver Art Museum's Free for Kids Program

WHEREAS, the Denver Art Museum has been an invaluable and precious resource for the Denver region since its founding more than 120 years ago, and is now home to more than 70,000 works of art; and

WHEREAS, the Denver Art Museum has earned international recognition for its innovation in engaging diverse segments of the community and cultivating visitor interaction and creativity in exploring art; and

WHEREAS, under the outstanding leadership of Christoph Heinrich and its talented professional staff and dedicated board of directors, the Denver Art Museum has demonstrated a commendable commitment to education programming and a family-friendly environment; and

WHEREAS, research demonstrates the important connection between the arts and greater student achievement and social development, with economically disadvantaged students and young children experiencing the most gains in learning from the arts; and

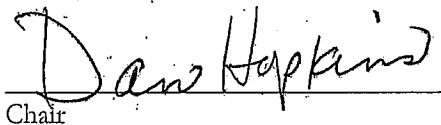
WHEREAS, the Denver Art Museum announced on March 25, 2015 its Free for Kids Programs, offering free general admission to all youth ages 18 and under for the next five years, in addition to capping youth pricing for all special ticketed exhibitions at \$5, which has been enabled by the generous support of Scott Reiman and the Reiman Foundation and Kaiser Permanente Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the SCFD Board recognizes that the cost of admission often presents an obstacle to accessing the arts for many of our region's residents, including our youth, and recognizes the value and importance of the Denver Art Museum's Free for Kids program as a positive example of addressing this important challenge;

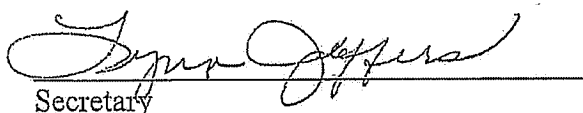
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL FACILITIES DISTRICT:

1. That we acknowledge and congratulate the Denver Art Museum for undertaking this meaningful and program to increase the availability and affordability of arts and culture for young people and to encourage their appreciation of art.

Introduced and approved at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District, the 26th day of March 2015.


Chair

ATTEST:


Secretary

