

City of Grand Rapids, Michigan

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the International Conference of Symphony and Opera Musicians (ICSOM) was founded in 1962 with the mission to promote a better and more rewarding livelihood for the skilled orchestral performer and to enrich the cultural life of our society; and

WHEREAS, ICSOM represents nearly 4,000 members from the top 53 symphony orchestras in the United States, including our very own Grand Rapids Symphony, and is a Player Conference of the American Federation of Musicians; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 60th annual conference of the ICSOM, which will be held in downtown Grand Rapids from August 24 – 27, 2022, bringing orchestral musicians together from across the country to form one musical community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rosalynn Bliss, Mayor of the City of Grand Rapids, do hereby proclaim August 24, 2022, as

ICSOM Day

and welcome all conference participants and city residents to join in celebrating the many musical and cultural contributions that orchestral performers make, and to reflect and appreciation the broader arts community, which makes our city a vibrant and beautiful place to live, visit and enjoy.

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Rosalynn Bliss