

Proclamation

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DESIGNATING December 27, 2016 – January 15, 2017 as

The Decade of Shen Yun

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors takes pride in recognizing ten years of artistry provided by Shen Yun Performing Arts, the world's premier classical Chinese dance and music company that has thrilled Bay Area audiences for the past decade; and

WHEREAS, Shen Yun has performed in many of the most prestigious theaters in the world, inspired the hearts of millions, and won praise from numerous top artists and critics since 2007; and

WHEREAS, Shen Yun Performing Arts, based in New York, has as its mission, "to revive the essence of five millennia of Chinese civilization and create a bridge of dialogue between the East and West through the universal language of music and dance"; and

WHEREAS, Shen Yun weaves a wondrous tapestry of heavenly realms, ancient legends, and modern heroic tales that transport audiences to a world of beauty, purity and courage; and

WHEREAS, Shen Yun artists have flourished in the West, independent of the censorship found in China today; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Falun Buddha Study Association, the local presenter of Shen Yun, believes that Shen Yun contributes to the cultural diversity of every community while providing its audiences of all ages with an unforgettable, inspiring experience that in Cate Blanchett's words is, "exquisitely beautiful"; and

WHEREAS, and according to the New York Times an evening of Shen Yun includes, "5,000 years of Chinese music and dance in one night."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby celebrate the ten year anniversary of Shen Yun Performing Arts and extend their best wishes to the musicians, dancers, choreographers, and artists for another successful decade of classical Chinese dance and music. BRAVO!

Dated: November 15, 2016



Attest:

Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

SUPERVISORS:

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