

WHEATON URBAN DISTRICT ADIVSORY COMMITTEE

September 12, 2018

Dan Thompson Wheaton ARTS Parade & Festival

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee (WUDAC) would like to express its enthusiastic support for the 2019 Wheaton ARTS Parade/Festival. The successful 2017 parade/festival increased the visibility of Wheaton artists and attracted artists from around the county to the Wheaton Arts & Entertainment District. It engaged businesses, civic associations, schools and residents in celebrating Wheaton's artistic and cultural diversity and was a wonderful event that brought the community together. The 2018 parade, scheduled for September 23rd, promises to be even bigger and better.

WUDAC is an 11-member board made up of businesses and residents advising County Government on issues affecting the Wheaton Urban District. The parade and the arts festival are the type of events Wheaton residents and business owners want to see in our Arts & Entertainment District, and we hope to see more events like this which increase Wheaton's visibility as arts friendly, while also supporting the local Wheaton economy.

As you know, the Wheaton Urban District is, again, providing in-kind support for the 2018 Wheaton ARTS Parade & Festival. Other County agencies are also assisting. We expect that their support will continue for the 2019 event.

We look forward to working with you and the parade organizing committee for another successful Wheaton ARTS Parade & Festival in 2019.

Sincerely,

William Jelen, Chair

Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee