



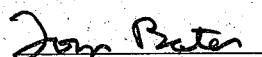
IN HONOR OF GAMELAN SEKAR JAYA

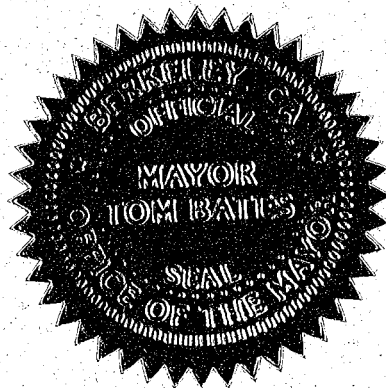
- WHEREAS,** In October of 1979, Gamelan Sekar Jaya was founded in the City of Berkeley with the mission of fostering artistic exchange between Bali and the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** Sekar Jaya, the only performing arts company in the United States that has five distinct ensembles of Balinese performing arts, serves Berkeley, the greater Bay Area, and California with educational and performance programs—from teaching underserved children in BUSD, training students at UC Berkeley, and performing at venues such as Davies Symphony Hall, the LA Music Center, Berkeley's own Martin Luther King Jr. Civic Center Park, Zellerbach Hall, and the Julia Morgan Theater; and
- WHEREAS,** Sekar Jaya has hosted over 50 Balinese artist residencies, bringing master artists from Bali to the Bay Area to provide training to performers & students, share masterpieces of Balinese arts, and enrich social-cultural and artistic understanding; and
- WHEREAS,** Sekar Jaya is committed to a model of cultural exchange that deepens relationships; breaks through boundaries of nationality, class, gender, and age; and offers a paradigm for how we can interact meaningfully with the world through artistic practice; and
- WHEREAS,** Sekar Jaya is the only foreign group to ever receive the Dharma Kusuma, Bali's highest award for artistic achievement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, TOM BATES, Mayor of the City of Berkeley do hereby recognize

Gamelan Sekar Jaya

for 35 years of Balinese cultural expression, influence, and education in the city of Berkeley.


Tom Bates
Mayor



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