

Office of the Mayor

CITY OF MILWAUKEE



Proclamation



Whereas: The City of Milwaukee joins community members, dedicated patrons and staff of the Milwaukee Art Museum in declaring the summer of 2011 the summer of China; and,

WHEREAS, The Milwaukee Art Museum will celebrate the 10th anniversary of its Santiago Calatrava-designed Quadracci Pavilion addition, and as part of the anniversary celebration, the Museum will present, for the first time in its history, four concurrent exhibitions of Chinese art; and,

WHEREAS, The centerpiece exhibition, entitled “The Emperor’s Private Paradise: Treasures from the Forbidden City,” will be on display between June 11 and September 11, 2011, and will feature a collection of 90 never-before-seen objects of ceremony and leisure that unveil the private realm of the Qianlong Emperor who ruled China from 1736 to 1796; and,

WHEREAS, The Milwaukee Art Museum will also present three additional significant exhibitions of Chinese art, entitled “Modern Chinese Ink Paintings from the Chu-tsing Li Collection,” “On-site: Zhan Wang,” and “Furnishing the Afterlife: Selections from the James Conley Collection of Ancient Chinese Art”; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Milwaukee urges all citizens to take advantage of the extraordinary opportunities offered by the Milwaukee Art Museum to support, share and celebrate Chinese culture, and encourages cultural institutions and organizations to develop complimentary programming;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOM BARRETT, Mayor of the City of Milwaukee, do hereby proclaim the summer of 2011 to be

THE SUMMER OF CHINA

throughout the City of Milwaukee.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tom Barrett".

TOM BARRETT
Mayor

