

PROCLAMATION

BY

MAYOR SHEILA DIXON

DESIGNATING JUNE 2009

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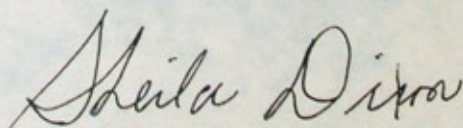
"NATIONAL BASKETBALL & HIP-HOP CULTURE MONTH"

IN BALTIMORE

- WHEREAS,** National Basketball & Hip-Hop Culture Month was created to promote and further the growth of the basketball and hip-hop era, providing an inexpensive way for families to come together and celebrate; and
- WHEREAS,** at a time when America battles economic hardship, this celebration provides children and young adults with the chance to participate in something fun and positive. Families can come out to play or watch basketball games while listening to old school party rap songs; and
- WHEREAS,** formed to honor the 25th Anniversary of the basketball & hip-hop culture fusion era, also known as the "Dunkadelic-Era" in America, National Basketball & Hip-Hop Culture Month makes its impact by inspiring the demonstration of urban style; and
- WHEREAS,** we recognize the accomplishments of basketball leaders such as Michael Jordan and LeBron James, as well as the achievements of music icons like Run-DMC and Jam-Master Jay, and most importantly, we value cultural development and community involvement and enjoyment.

THEREFORE, I, SHEILA DIXON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, do hereby proclaim June 2009 as "NATIONAL BASKETBALL AND HIP-HOP CULTURE MONTH" IN BALTIMORE, and do urge all citizens to join in the celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set the Great Seal of the City of Baltimore to be affixed this month of June, two thousand nine.



Mayor

