

# PROCLAMATION

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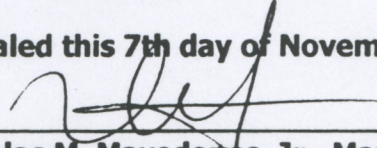
### **Arkhangelsk School #6, Portland High School and the Arkangelsk Committee of Greater Portland**

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- WHEREAS,** The communities of Arkhangelsk, Russia and Greater Portland, USA have been linked as Sister Cities for almost a quarter of a century; and
- WHEREAS,** Youth exchanges are the cornerstone of citizen diplomacy which promotes mutual understanding and good will among nations; and
- WHEREAS,** This delegation of 12 students, 1 teacher and the Principal of School #6 In Arkhangelsk is the first youth exchange between our communities since the 1990's; and
- WHEREAS,** The resumption of these vital youth programs would not have come about without the creativity, commitment and hard work of the leadership and faculty of the schools, the generosity of the host families and the dedicated volunteers of the Arkhangelsk Committee of Greater Portland

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I,** Nicholas M. Mavodones, Jr. Mayor of the City of Portland, Maine, and the members of the Portland City Council do hereby proclaim and honor Arkhangelsk School #6, Portland High School and the Arkhangelsk Committee of Greater Portland for their exemplary efforts in furthering the important relationship between the peoples of Arkhangelsk and Portland.

**Signed and sealed this 7th day of November, 2011**

  
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**Nicholas M. Mavodones, Jr., Mayor  
City of Portland, Maine**

