OFFICE OF THE MAYOR WASHINGTON, D. C.

OCTOBER 5, 1985

BY THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WHEREAS, on Saturday, October 5, 1985, a dedication ceremony will be held to open formally, the new entrance and sculpture garden at the Capital Children's Museum; and

WHEREAS, the sculpture garden features the creations of Nek Chand Saini, an Indian artist who has achieved world wide recognition for his work; and

WHEREAS, the numerous figures and structures that populate this "Fantasy Garden" are constructed from objects and fragments of items that can be found in dumps and refuse heaps; and

WHEREAS, Nek Chand Saini's creative mind has enabled him to transform these unwanted objects into evocative reflections of the beauty that exists in our environment; and

WHEREAS, the tranquil spirit of its creator will continue to imbue the "Fantasy Carden", and provide enjoyment for visitors to, and residents of, the District of Columbia:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 5, 1985 as "MEK CHAND SAINI DAY" in the District of Columbia, in grateful recognition of his magnificent gift to our city, and call upon all the residents of Washington, D.C. to join with me in saluting his creative vision and thanking all the contributors to this beautiful addition to our nation's capital.



MARION S. BARRY, JR.

FACSIMILE OF PROCLAMATION

by the Mayor of the District of Columbia, proclaiming Saturday, October 5, 1985; as "Nek Chand Saini Day" in the District of Columbia.

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