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MEMORANDUM

TO: George Lahanas, City Manager

FROM: Ami Van Antwerp, Communications Coordinator

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SUBJECT: Board and Commission Recognition: Roy Saper

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It is my privilege to help in recognizing Roy Saper for his service on the East Lansing Arts Selection Panel since December 1997.

As part of his responsibilities on the panel, Roy was involved with reviewing artist proposals as part of the East Lansing public art selection process. He had a hand in the selection of a number of public art installations that you see in the East Lansing community today, including the Familiar Faces sculpture, the East Lansing Children's Sculpture Garden in Fountain Square, the kinetic sculpture entitled Anima Librata in the Grand River alley, the colorful mobile located in the lobby of the East Lansing Hannah Community Center, the Centennial Sculpture located in Valley Court Park, the recent mural located in the Division Street Garage and the Mary P. Sharp sculpture soon to be installed at City Hall.

Roy's knowledge of public art and installation was an invaluable asset to the Arts Selection Panel, the Arts Commission and City staff. He would spend considerable time outside of meetings to help review and edit requests for proposals and made recommendations on a number of public art installations, including site preparation and artist recognition.

Roy is a wonderful ambassador for arts in East Lansing. He is also the owner of Saper Galleries in downtown East Lansing, which is a highly regarded art gallery throughout the country. His knowledge of running an art gallery and working directly with artists across the country allowed him to bring a unique perspective to his role on the Arts Selection Panel

We truly thank Roy for his invaluable contribution to arts in East Lansing.