

The seal of the Village of Millbrook, New York, is a circular emblem. It features a central shield with a landscape scene, including a river, trees, and a building. Above the shield is a banner with the text "MILLBROOK". Below the shield is another banner with the text "VILLAGE OF MILLBROOK". The outer ring of the seal contains the text "MILLBROOK NEW YORK" and "1895".

PROCLAMATION

VILLAGE OF MILLBROOK

Jazz Appreciation Month

Whereas, Jazz is an original American art form that affirms the noblest aspiration of our national character, individual discipline, perseverance, and innovation; and

Whereas, Jazz has produced some of America's leading creative artists, ranks as one of America's greatest exports to the world and has inspired dancers, choreographers, poets, novelists, filmmakers, classical composers, and musicians in many other kinds of music; and

Whereas, the month of April marks the birthdays of some of the twentieth century's greatest jazz artists, Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington (126th), Billie Holiday (110th), and Ella Fitzgerald (108th); and

Whereas, Jazz has spoken eloquently for freedom of people in the United States and abroad and has become an international language that bridges differences and brings people of all races, ages, and backgrounds together; and

Whereas, locally, we proudly recognize and have the pleasure of honoring **Larry Ham**, a world class performer, recording artist, and United States Department of State Jazz Ambassador

Now, Therefore, I, Peter F. Doro, Mayor of the Village of Millbrook do hereby proclaim April 2025 as Jazz Appreciation Month in the Village of Millbrook and urge our residents to become involved in a local jazz society, enjoy the arts and music programs offered in our area, and to celebrate the Month of April as ***Jazz Appreciation Month***.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of April 2025.

Peter F. Doro, Mayor