

PROCLAMATION

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month ~ May 2022

WHEREAS, "Asian American and Pacific Islander" encompasses many ethnic groups with diverse backgrounds, histories, languages, and cultures. Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month celebrates the collective accomplishments of these communities; and

WHEREAS, generations of immigrants from every corner of the globe have built our country's economy and created the unique character of our nation: growing businesses, bringing innovation, strengthening our economy, creating jobs, and developing leaders; and

WHEREAS, the Asian American and Pacific Islander community continues strong traditions educating future generations of a shared heritage, promoting friendship, communication, community service, engagement, and involvement while fostering intergenerational leadership and securing rights and access to equal opportunities to create a fairer and more just society for all; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Makamae Melia Polynesian Cultural Organization was formed at California State University, Sacramento, to educate CSU Sacramento students about the Polynesian culture. Known today as Makamae Melia 'O Polynesia (MMOP) based in Elk Grove, CA, is an organization of approximately 120 members of all ages that express their love for the Polynesian culture through traditional and contemporary forms of dance, music, arts, and crafts. Makamae is the 2017 Tahiti Fete Junior Overall winner and performs/competes throughout California, Nevada, Hawaii and Tahiti.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby affirms and proclaims May 2022 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in the City of Elk Grove and encourages the community to promote unity in diversity and international understanding, to develop fuller awareness of linguistic and cultural traditions throughout the world, and to inspire solidarity based on understanding and dialogue.

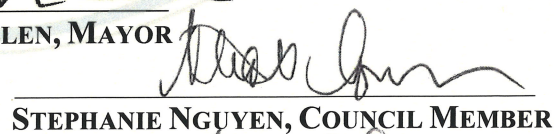
SIGNED this 11th day of May, 2022.



BOBBIE SINGH-ALLEN, MAYOR



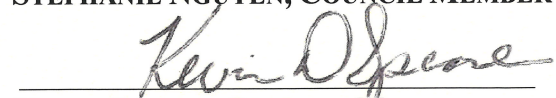
DARREN SUEN, VICE MAYOR



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