## PROCLAMATION Hindu Heritage Month October 2022

- **WHEREAS**, Hinduism is the third largest religion in the world with more than one billion followers worldwide including several millions in the United States; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City of Elk Grove is home to a vibrant Hindu community and the Hindu heritage, culture, traditions, and values have enriched our diverse city; and
- **WHEREAS**, Hindu-Americans have made significant contributions across all fields including science, education, medicine, law, politics, business, culture, sports and more; and
- **WHEREAS**, Hindus strive to achieve Dharma, which is a code of living that emphasizes good conduct and morality; and
- WHEREAS, during the month of October 2022, the Hindu community across the state of California and across the nation will collectively celebrate Hindu heritage; and
- **WHEREAS**, Hindu Heritage Month provides an opportunity to focus on Hindu culture and its diverse spiritual traditions rooted in India which are practiced in many parts of the world.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby affirms and proclaims October 2022 as Hindu Heritage Month in the City of Elk Grove and extends greetings and best wishes to all citizens for observing Hindu heritage during the month of October 2022 and the Diwali 2022 Festival of Lights activities and events.

**SIGNED** this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

BOBBIE SINGH-ALLEN, MAYOR

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