

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 232

Approved May 24, 2024

WHEREAS, The month of May is celebrated nationwide as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, providing an opportunity for all Americans to recognize the rich cultural heritage, contributions, and achievements of Asian and Pacific Islander communities; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders have made significant contributions to the United States at all levels of the Federal Government and in the Armed Forces, including

- (1) Daniel K. Inouye, a Medal of Honor and Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient who, as President pro tempore of the Senate, was the then-highest-ranking Asian American government official in the history of the United States;
- (2) Dalip Singh Saund, the first Asian American elected to Congress;
- (3) Patsy T. Mink, the first woman of color and Asian American woman elected to Congress;
- (4) Hiram L. Fong, the first Asian American Senator;
- (5) Daniel K. Akaka, the first Senator of Native Hawaiian ancestry;
- (6) Norman Y. Mineta, the first Asian American member of a Presidential cabinet;
- (7) Elaine L. Chao, the first Asian American woman member of a Presidential cabinet; and
- (8) Kamala D. Harris, the first woman and the first Asian American to hold the Office of the Vice President;

WHEREAS, We honor the resilience, diversity, and accomplishments of Asian Pacific Americans, who have overcome adversity and discrimination to enrich our society with their talents, innovation, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, During this month and throughout the year, we reaffirm our commitment to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion, and to combating racism and discrimination in all its forms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby recognizes May 2024 as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and celebrates the vibrant tapestry of cultures, traditions, and histories that Asian and Pacific Islander communities bring to our city.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 16 2024

READ AND PASSED


RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT

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I HEREBY APPROVE.


Mayor

Date: 5/24/24