



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

Date: May 23, 2023

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution Number: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Majority Vote Required

**Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California,  
Proclaiming May 2023 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month  
in Sonoma County**

**Whereas**, in 1977 Congress introduced a House resolution to proclaim the first 10 days of May as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week, a celebration of Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week; and.

**Whereas**, in 1990 Congress voted to expand Asian/Pacific American Heritage from a week to a month-long celebration and in May 1992, the month of May was permanently designated as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month; and

**Whereas**, the Asian American and Pacific Islander Coalition of North Bay's primary mission is to celebrate culture, empower the community, and promote positive change in the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in the North Bay; and

**Whereas**, the Asian American and Pacific Islander Coalition of North Bay's vision is that the Asian American and Pacific Islander community's collective voice is stronger as we come together as we meet our needs and have confidence in each person's sense of identity; and

**Whereas**, 4.8% of Sonoma County's community identify as Asian, and for the 0.4% who identify as Pacific Islander; and

**Whereas**, Asian American and Pacific Islander community members have been part of the rich ethnic diversity of Sonoma County and have significantly contributed to the economic

and cultural vibrancy of the region; and

**Whereas,** Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month provides an opportunity to increase knowledge of the Asian American and Pacific Islander cultural background; and

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** that the Board of Supervisors, in recognition of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community, whose contributions have made Sonoma County a more diverse place, hereby proclaim the month of May 2023 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in Sonoma County.

**Supervisors:**

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Coursey:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**