

"Enriching Lives"

County of Los Angeles



Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

MAY 2010

Whereas, MAY IS ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH, OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED IN MAY 1992 TO COMMEMORATE ASIAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE UNITED STATES; AND

Whereas, THE LARGEST POPULATIONS COMPRISE CHINESE, JAPANESE, FILIPINOS, INDIANS, VIETNAMESE, KOREANS, AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS; MANY SERVED IN THE 100TH AND 442ND WWII REGIMENTS; AND

Whereas, CHINESE SEAMEN FIRST IMMIGRATED IN 1758; CHINESE WORKERS WERE THE MAJORITY OF LABORERS WHO LAID TRACK ACROSS THE SIERRAS FOR THE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD, COMPLETED IN MAY 1869; JAPANESE BEGAN IMMIGRATING IN MAY 1843, WORKING ON HAWAIIAN SUGAR AND PINEAPPLE PLANTATIONS, RECLAIMING 100,000 ACRES OF LAND IN THE SAN JOAQUIN DELTA, AND ORGANIZING PRODUCE AND FLOWER INDUSTRIES; AND

Whereas, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ASIAN AMERICAN EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (LACAAEA) WILL ORGANIZE FESTIVITIES ON MAY 20TH TO RECOGNIZE COUNTLESS CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Therefore, be it resolved, THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HEREBY PROCLAIMS MAY 2010 AS "ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH", AND JOINS IN THE CELEBRATION.

ADOPTED BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



MAY 20, 2010

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