PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA DESIGNATING MAY 2015 AS

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the tremendous contributions by the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community throughout United States history and world history have been significant, yet oftentimes overlooked and forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders have a rich cultural heritage that spans the world and is deeply embedded in San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, fifty years ago, the United States created more opportunities for Asian and Pacific Islander immigrants though the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1965; and

WHEREAS, through times of hardship and in the face of prejudice, AAPIs have shown incredible determination and resilience, forging ahead to strengthen our County and our country; and

WHEREAS, various non-profits like the Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center (PCRC), other community-based organizations, businesses, governments, and professional associations are working to successfully integrate AAPIs into the fabric of our County and country, to the benefit of us all,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates May 2015 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, and encourages the public to acknowledge and applaud the hard work of AAPIs, their leadership and their many contributions to making our County a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

Dated: May 19, 2015

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