

Proclaiming May 2023 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Whereas, the Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month is observed during the month of May to recognize the history, contributions and achievements of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders across our nation and Ventura County; and

Whereas, Ventura County's strength lies in its diversity, and Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders of all backgrounds have set inspiring examples as leaders and trailblazers united by a resolve of civil rights, equal treatment, and a better tomorrow for all Ventura County residents; and

Whereas, the filipino-American Association of Camarillo promotes brotherhood, harmony, charity, tolerance, and understanding toward one another. Each member of the filipino community dedicates themselves to becoming a worthy and respectable citizen. They strive to maintain strong family values and contribute to the local community; and

Whereas, the filipino-American Association of Camarillo contributes to the quality of life and the local community through fundraising projects, support services, and special events that benefit and recognize organizations such as: The Boys and Girls Club of Camarillo, Frontier High School, Gateway Community School, Miraele League, Pleasant Valley Historical Society, Camarillo YMCA, Wounded Warriors, Military Veterans, Ventura Food Share, and Sierra Padre Church; and

Whereas, in 2022 the fourth annual Fil-Am Fitness Fundraiser included 20 volunteers, 250 participants and raised \$25,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Camarillo. Approximately \$800,000 has been raised in their twenty-eight-year history and 2,000 volunteer hours have been contributed by its members in service to their community.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in proclaiming May 2023 as National Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, and recognizes the twenty eight years of service by the Filipino-American Association of Camarillo to fulfill its mission in promoting harmony, charity, tolerance and understanding towards one another.

Presented on this 16th Day of May 2023

Chair of the Board of Supervisors

Relly Long Supervisor 3rd District

Viancy Lopez, Supervisor 5th District