

N OF APEX NORTH CAROLINA Proclamation

Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month 2025

from the Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, The month of May offers a meaningful opportunity to celebrate the diverse cultures, histories, and contributions of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) communities across the nation; and,

WHEREAS, Individuals of AANHPI descent represent a wide range of identities and experiences rooted in the Asian continent and the Pacific Islands – bringing with them rich cultural traditions, languages, and values; and,

WHEREAS, AANHPI communities have played a vital role in shaping our nation's story, contributing to advancements in education, science, business, health care, public service, and the arts, often in the face of historical and ongoing challenges; and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex recognizes and celebrates the AANHPI residents who contribute every day to the strength and growth of our community - adding to its character through civic engagement, cultural heritage, and leadership; and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex is proud to present a special Learning Lunch on May 21st in celebration of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, which will highlight the significant contributions of these communities throughout history, explore cultural traditions, and more.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of the Town of Apex, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the Month of May, 2025, "Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Month 2025" in the Town of Apex, and extend my appreciation to these communities for all of their wonderful contributions to the Town of Apex.

> I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Apex, North Carolina, to be affixed this the 13th day of May 2025

Jacques Gilbert, Mayor