

~ PROCLAMATION ~

WHEREAS, America has been continually renewed and enriched by the many different people who choose to come here and become our fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, each brings a part of his or her own heritage, which over time becomes part of our common heritage; and

WHEREAS, generations of Asian Americans have helped make America what it is today; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 500,000 Taiwanese Americans in the United States, with a significant Taiwanese American population in Camas, WA; and

WHEREAS, Taiwanese Americans have made enormous contributions to the diversity and prosperity of American society as successful and notable artists, Nobel Laureate scientists, researchers, human rights activists, and business leaders; and

WHEREAS, Taiwanese Americans are proud of their roots and of their vital role in the continued growth of our nation; and

WHEREAS, during the current corona virus pandemic, the country of Taiwan and Taiwanese Americans have donated millions of masks and Personal Protective Equipment to hospitals and organizations in the U.S. and around the world, representing the spirit of generosity that the Taiwanese people and Taiwanese Americans are known for; and

WHEREAS, during this special week, Taiwanese Americans are able to embrace America's diversity and celebrate the spirit of community that binds us together as one nation;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ellen Burton, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Camas, do hereby proclaim May 16 - 22, 2021, as:

***"Taiwanese American Heritage Week"***

in Camas, Washington and encourage all citizens to join in this observance.



In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Camas to be affixed this 17th day of May, 2021.

Ellen Burton, Mayor Pro Tem