

Office of the City Commission

Proclamation



WHEREAS, Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month originated in June 1977, when Representatives Frank Horton of New York and Norman Mineta of California called upon the President to proclaim the first 10 days of May as Asian-Pacific Heritage Week. In October 1978, President Jimmy Carter expanded the observance as an annual celebration; and, 12 years later President George H.W. Bush extended the week-long celebration to a month. The official designation of May as AAPI Heritage Month was signed into law in 1992; and

WHEREAS, During Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, our Nation celebrates the diversity of cultures, breadth of achievement, and remarkable contributions of these communities; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders represent us at every level of government, including Vice President Kamala Harris, the first Vice President of South Asian descent; Ambassador Katherine Tai, the first Asian American United States Trade Representative; and Dr. Arati Prabhakar, who is the first South Asian American to lead the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy; and

WHEREAS, Throughout our history, they have represented the bigger story of who we are as Americans and embodied the truth that our diversity is our strength as a Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Greg Ross Mayor of Cooper City do hereby proclaim May 2023 as

“Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great Seal of the City of Cooper City, Broward County, Florida, to be affixed on this 23rd day of May, 2023.

GREG ROSS
Mayor, City of Cooper City

