



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Collins, working with various individuals and organizations serving the diverse segments of our Asian American, Native Hawai’ian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) communities, recognizes the growing and expanding Asian American community of Fort Collins to celebrate and honor the triumphs and challenges of its community members through their historically unique journeys and struggles; and

WHEREAS, AANHPI communities have a long history of contributing to the Fort Collins, northern Colorado, and Colorado histories and presently continue to offer diverse contributions in the arts, business, education, government, non-profit, and interdisciplinary sectors of Fort Collins; and

WHEREAS, AANHPI communities continue to work and hope for an inclusive, prosperous, and welcoming future in the Fort Collins community, even in the face of systemic challenges and the need to assimilate to American customs and ideals, while simultaneously honoring AANHPI communities’ values, history, and languages; and

WHEREAS, AANHPI communities continually enrich our community through food, art, cultural programs, and representation which encompasses the whole of Fort Collins’ AANHPI community, from immigrant populations to generations born in our City and the United States, all of whom hope for an inclusive future free from marginalization in times of peace and turmoil.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeni Arndt, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim April 2024, as

ASIAN AMERICAN NATIVE HAWAI’IAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 16th day of April, 2024.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Interim City Clerk