

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF
NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF
MAY, 2022, AS ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER
MONTH IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, since its origin in 1979 as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week, we commemorate the accomplishments and contributions of our Asian American and Pacific Islander residents; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, over 30 years ago, in 1990, Congress amended the observation from a week to a month, which designated May 1990 as the first Asian/Pacific Islander month; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, the recognition of the month of May recognizes the significance of history and advancements influenced by Asian American and Pacific Islanders, such as May 7, 1843, which is the date on which the first Japanese immigrants arrived in the United States and the completion of the first transcontinental railroad completed by direct contributions of the Chinese pioneers; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the City of Norman celebrates the contributions of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in Norman which create a rich and diverse community; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, where Asian-alone descent constitutes 5% of our Norman community; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, by building relationships and encouraging engagement we have increased mutual participation with the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in Norman and are committed to continue doing more; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, we are grateful for organizations supporting community representation, such as Asian American Student Association and Asian Pacific American Law Students Association at The University of Oklahoma, Asian Club at Norman High School, Oklahoma Chinese Association, Share to Grow, and many other organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 8. Do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2022, as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in the City of Norman and invite all citizens to join me in celebrating across our community.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of May 2022.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

