

Proclamation

National Arab American Heritage Month April 2022

WHEREAS, Arab American Heritage Month is a nationwide celebration and observance that honors the achievements of Arab Americans and recognizes their significant culture and economic contributions; and

WHEREAS, for over a century, Arab Americans have shared their rich heritage, culture and traditions while serving in a wide range of industries and professions which have created vital and positive impacts on our diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, in Redwood City, we value the strength in our diversity and embrace our Arab residents and merchants that consistently contribute to our quality of life, economy and vitality; and

WHEREAS, our Arab immigrant and interfaith populations around the nation continue to face discriminations, harmful stereotypes and bullying, and Redwood City's commitment to leading the way towards justice and fighting alongside one another remains stronger than ever; and


WHEREAS, Arab Americans continue to uplift our community as innovators, entrepreneurs, public servants, advocates and workers who contribute to numerous community-based and cultural organizations that serve all of our communities and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Redwood City values the Arab community's significant impact on the prosperity of our community, and remains committed to our guiding principle of Equity to ensure inclusion, diversity, compassion and respect for Arab Americans in Redwood City and across the region.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, GISELLE HALE, MAYOR OF REDWOOD CITY, on behalf of the City Council and the people of the City of Redwood City, do hereby proclaim April 2022 as Arab American Heritage Month and implore all community members to join us in this special observance.

Date: April 11, 2022







Giselle Hale, Mayor



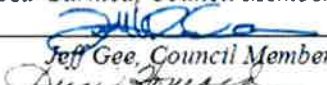
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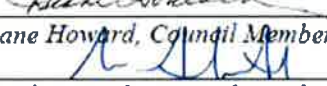
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Diane Howard, Council Member



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