

# Proclamation

## Celebrating Louise Prado's 105<sup>th</sup> Birthday

*WHEREAS, longevity of life is a blessing for an individual and for a community which benefits from the knowledge, creativity, and experiences this individual brings to all; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Redwood City recognizes with respect and admiration the contribution of senior citizens to our community; and*

*WHEREAS, Louise Marie Prado was born on January 28, 1917 in San Francisco; and*

*WHEREAS, both of Louise's parents hail from Mexico – her mother, Mercedes, is of Aztec Indian descent, and her father, Joseph is of Spanish descent; and*

*WHEREAS, Louise spent her childhood in The Bayview District with her 9 siblings; and*

*WHEREAS, growing up she roller skated all over San Francisco and loved going to the dance halls; and*

*WHEREAS, Louise met her husband, Ashley, at The Bal Masque Dance Hall, and they married and moved to Redwood City in the 1940's; and*

*WHEREAS, as a resident of Redwood City Louise held membership at many local organizations such as the Native Daughters of the Golden West, the Red Hat Society, and she even taught ceramics to adults and children at The Red Morton Community Center in the 60's and 70's; and*

*WHEREAS, Louise retired from Ampex Corporation in Redwood City, working as an engineer, where she met and worked with the founder, Alexander M. Poniatoff, Mr. Charles Black, (Shirley Temple's husband) and Bing Crosby; and*

*WHEREAS, she also worked for Sharon Heights Convalescent Hospital in Menlo Park, and when people would ask what she does there, she would reply, "I take care of old people" – She resigned at the age of 88; and*

*WHEREAS, at the age of 105 she is starting a coffee and tea company called Auntie Lou's Brew; and*

*WHEREAS, she has always been passionate about development in Redwood City and would often ask, "How do we please you people? I love my Redwood City!"*

**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 honor Louise Prado on her 105<sup>th</sup> birthday and for her long life and prosperity, and wish her many more.**

Date: March 1, 2022



  
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