

Proclamation

The Borough of Prospect Park

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month is observed during the month of May to celebrate and pay tribute to the contributions of Asian and Pacific American history, culture and achievements; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month originated in a congressional bill in June of 1977. On March 28, 1979, President Carter issued Presidential Proclamation 4650, proclaiming the week beginning on May 4, 1979, as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week; and

WHEREAS, On May 1, 2009, President Obama issued Presidential Proclamation 8369 proclaiming May 2009 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders comprise many ethnicities and languages, and their many achievements embody the American experience. By recognizing the contributions and accomplishments of Asian American and Pacific Islander men and women, we celebrate the importance of inclusion to building a brighter future; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander men and women are leaders in all aspects of American life: government and industry, science and medicine, the arts and Armed Forces, education and sports; and

WHEREAS, the Prospect Park community has benefitted through the cultural richness, diversity, and generosity of its local Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

Now Therefore Be It Proclaimed, by the Governing Body in the Borough of Prospect Park, New Jersey, that May 2024 is designated as:

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

Governing Body Members

Mayor Mohamed T. Khairullah

Council President Felicia Ortiz
Councilman Mohammed Hussain
Councilman Robert Artis

Councilman Zack Daghestani
Councilwoman Esther Perez
Councilman Anand Shah

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