



PROCLAMATION

Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

WHEREAS, With more than 6 million Californians of **Asian American, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander** descent, California is home to dynamic AANHPI communities which are an invaluable part of our state and nation. During Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we celebrate California's incredibly diverse heritage and all the ways which AANHPI Californians enrich and strengthen our society; and

WHEREAS, Since our state's founding, AANHPIs have been instrumental in writing the California story and building our state as we know it. We are proud of the immeasurable contributions that generations of AANHPIs from varied backgrounds have made as educators, service men and women, entrepreneurs, artists, athletes, community builders and activists, and **City Managers**, shaping all facets of our society, culture, and daily life; and

WHEREAS, we must also recognize that throughout our history, AANHPI communities have been the target of violence, disenfranchisement, efforts to restrict immigration, and other xenophobic policies at a federal, state, and local level. The echoes of this dark history are still evident today. It is imperative that we confront past and present racism and challenge ourselves to rally for the safety and inclusion of our AANHPI friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, During **Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander** Heritage Month, California pays tribute to the irreplaceable legacy of our AANHPI communities, their incredible strength and resilience, and their essential role in driving our state and nation forward. This month and every month, let us stand up for all members of our California family and work together to achieve the promise of a better California for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bernie Norvell, Mayor of the City of Fort Bragg, on behalf of the entire City Council, and I do hereby proclaim May as **Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander** Heritage Month.

ATTEST:



SIGNED this 13th day of May, 2024

DIANA SANCHEZ, City Clerk

No. 08-2024



BERNIE NORVELL, Mayor