

City of Pleasant Hill

Proclamation

***WHEREAS**, for over a century, Arab Americans have been making valuable contributions to virtually every aspect of American society: in science, medicine, law, business, education, technology, government, military service, culture; and*

***WHEREAS**, since migrating to America, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting examples of model citizens and public servants; and*

***WHEREAS**, Arab Americans have also enriched our society by sharing in the entrepreneurial American spirit that makes our nation free and prosperous; and*

***WHEREAS**, Arab Americans bring with them to America their resilient family values, strong and diligent work ethic, peaceful ideals and diversity in faith and creed that have strengthened the Commonwealth; and*

***WHEREAS**, during Arab American Heritage Month, it is imperative to increase awareness about key issues and priorities within the Arab American community and combat harmful stereotypes, prejudice, discrimination, and anti-Arab hate in the forms of crimes and speech; and*

***WHEREAS**, Arab American issues, such as civil rights abuses and bullying must be combatted in the forms of education and awareness; and*

***WHEREAS**, Arab Americans join all Americans in the desire to see a peaceful and diverse society, where every individual is treated equally and feels safe; and*

***WHEREAS**, Arab American Heritage Month is an opportunity to celebrate the great pride and vibrancy of Arab Americans in Pleasant Hill and the Bay Area, whose abilities and contributions strengthen California's economy, diverse culture, and communities; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City of Pleasant Hill will join the nation in observing April as Arab American Heritage Month by honoring the essential contributions, sacrifices and accomplishments of Arab Americans.*

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Sue Noack, Mayor of the City of Pleasant Hill, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim April 2021 as "Arab American Heritage Month" in the City of Pleasant Hill, and call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.*



Sue Noack

SUE NOACK, Mayor
April 19, 2021