

## Resolution Number 20-21-19 Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month May 2021

**WHEREAS**, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month is observed annually in May to celebrate the contributions that generations of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have made to American history, society, and culture. This year's theme is, "Advancing Leaders Through Purpose-Driven Service; and

**WHEREAS**, the values and traditions of the Asian American and Pacific Islanders' community – love of family, entrepreneurship, excellence in education, and community services has strengthen us as a Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders worked tirelessly to build our national railroad infrastructure, paving the way for our western expansion and growth as a world leader; and

**WHEREAS**, as entrepreneurs, artists, educators, public servants, scientists, and explorers, they challenge the minds of our next generation, expand commerce and innovation, probe the frontiers of space, and search for cures for the world's diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, in the wake of increasing rates of anti-Asian harassment and violence during the COVID-19 pandemic, and the increasingly actions of hate directed toward women and elders of Asian descent, we must continue to condemn, denounce, and prevent these acts of violence and look for opportunities to heal together, root out racial injustices, advance equity, and deliver the promise of America for all Americans

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastside Union School District Board of Trustees proclaim the month of May 2021 as "Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month" and honor the achievements of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and how they have contributed to the culture and heritage of our Nation. We encourage all educational communities to celebrate and commemorate this occasion with appropriate instructional programs, ceremonies, and activities.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Eastside Union School District this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

Doretta Thompson, Clerk

**Board of Trustees** 

Eastside Union School District