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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBERS REBECCA KAPLAN AND JANANI RAMACHANDRAN, AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIKKI FORTUNATO BAS

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 25-JUNE 2, 2024, AS QUEER AND TRANSGENDER ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER (QTAPI) WEEK AND COMMENDING THE BAY AREA QTAPI COALITION FOR ORGANIZING, MOBILIZING, AND INSPIRING OUR QTAPI COMMUNITY, AND FOR UPLIFTING THE NUMEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY THE QTAPI COMMUNITY LOCALLY, NATIONALLY, AND GLOBALLY

WHEREAS, the Bay Area Queer and Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander (QTAPI) Coalition was formed on February 7, 2019, to build community, facilitate intergenerational transfer of knowledge, recognize the QTAPI community's historical context and interdependence, and celebrate their unique cultural heritage and identity; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition includes organizations and community groups such as Lavender Phoenix (formerly known as API Equality Northern California (APIENC)), Asian Pacific Islander Queer Women & Transgender Community (APIQWTC), GLBTQ+ Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA), Harvey Milk LGBTQ Democratic Club, Parivar Bay Area, Prism Foundation, Red Envelope Giving Circle, API Transmasculine Anthology, API TransFusion, GLBT Historical Society, San Francisco Community Health Center, San Francisco AIDS Foundation, Essence of Mana, North County Outreach, QT Nightlife, and members of the Rice Rockettes; and

WHEREAS, QTAPI people continue to experience discrimination and violence and have been disproportionately harmed by unjust systems; and

WHEREAS, community-based organizations across the QTAPI spectrum have provided support, advocacy, and health and safety services to the Bay Area QTAPI community for over 54 years; and

WHEREAS, newer grassroots organizations formed at the turn of the millennium have continued to respond to ongoing systems of oppression by supporting and organizing QTAPI people in the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, QTAPI Week is a time when organizers demonstrate the strength and resilience of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in the face of continued violence as well as pride in identity as part of the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, during QTAPI Week, the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition will host networking activities, capacity-building events, and supportive facilitated conversations that further the work of the QTAPI movement in Oakland, San Francisco, and the greater Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition continues to grow and respond to the issues facing the QTAPI community; now, therefore, be it;

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council does hereby proclaim May 25-June 2, 2024, as Queer and Transgender Asian and Pacific Islander (QTAPI) Week and commends the Bay Area QTAPI Coalition for organizing, mobilizing, and inspiring our QTAPI community, and for uplifting the numerous contributions made by the QTAPI community locally, nationally, and globally

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____
ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California