

# *Resolution No. 2025-*

## **A RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MAY 2025 AS ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN, AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the month of May is celebrated as Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Heritage Month, an important time to celebrate the significant contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to the history of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843, and the Chinese immigrant workers' substantial contributions to the completion of the first transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869; and

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 22,000,000 residents of the United States who identify as Asian and approximately 1,600,000 residents of the United States who identify as Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, making up nearly 7 percent of the total population of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the largest group of Asians live in California, making up 15 percent of the total population; and

**WHEREAS**, the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander community in Solano County is inherently diverse, comprising more than 73,300 residents, according to the U.S. Census Bureau; and Filipinos represent the largest subgroup, accounting for approximately 17 percent of the total AANHPI population; and

**WHEREAS**, the contributions of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders in Solano County have enriched the history of California and the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Chinese immigrants arrived in the Bay Area during the 1800s Gold Rush era, contributing significantly to the construction of the transcontinental railroad, including the Bay Area line and the Alameda Terminal completed in 1869; and in 1871, Chinese agricultural workers in the Suisun Valley established "Big Camp," recognized as the first permanent Chinese settlement in Solano County; and

**WHEREAS**, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders continue to contribute to the agricultural economy in Solano County, are business owners, educators, healthcare workers, and are employed in tech fields and the cultural arts.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the history, achievements, and diversity of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders, and recognizes their contributions to the enrichment of all residents in Solano County.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025

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MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:  
BILL EMLLEN, Clerk  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk