

Resolution No. 2026 –

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MAY 2026 AS ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN, AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, the month of May is recognized as Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Heritage Month, an important time to celebrate and honor the significant contributions of AANHPI communities to the history, culture, and development of the United States; and

WHEREAS, May was chosen to commemorate the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to recognize the vital contributions of Chinese immigrant workers in completing the first transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869; and

WHEREAS, approximately 22 million residents of the United States identify as Asian and approximately 1.6 million identify as Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, together representing nearly 7 percent of the nation's population; and

WHEREAS, California is home to the largest Asian population in the nation, comprising approximately 15 percent of the state's total population; and

WHEREAS, the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander community in Solano County is richly diverse, comprising more than 73,300 residents according to estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau, with Filipinos representing the largest subgroup at approximately 17 percent of the local AANHPI population; and

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

WHEREAS, Chinese immigrants arrived in the Bay Area during the Gold Rush era of the 1800s and played a critical role in 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, today, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders continue to strengthen Solano County through their contributions to agriculture, business, education, healthcare, technology, public service, and the arts.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month and honors the history, achievements, diversity, and enduring contributions of AANHPI communities to the enrichment and vitality of all residents of Solano County.

Dated this 28th day of April 2026

MONICA BROWN, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: IAN M. GOLDBERG, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk