



**RESOLUTION 2023-2024-022**

**PROCLAIMING THE CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL ASIAN-AMERICAN  
AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage in the United States was FIRST celebrated in 1978 and was made into a month-long event in 1992;

**WHEREAS**, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month seeks to honor and recognize the contributions of residents from Asia, India, and the Pacific Islands;

**WHEREAS**, Native Hawaiians, Chinese, and Japanese were the first to migrate to the Pacific Northwest and were known for handling canoes and transporting goods, construction, railroad expansion, and settling the region; and

**WHEREAS**, 10% of enrolled students are Asian or Pacific Islanders; and

**WHEREAS**, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have courageously maintained vibrant cultures and traditions and made many contributions to history, industry, art, and community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Reynolds School Board has established that each and every student is to be celebrated and appreciated for the distinct and vibrant contributions made by sharing cultures, language, ideas, beliefs, and values within a school community; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Reynolds School Board of Directors proclaims May 2024 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. The struggles and achievements of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders contributed profoundly to the culture and community of the United States. The Reynolds School District affirms the contributions and reaffirms its ongoing commitment to building awareness and an inclusive society.

The Board of Directors strongly encourages our staff and community to observe, recognize, and celebrate the culture, heritage, and contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to our country, our state, our cities, and our schools.

Adopted this 24th day of April 2024.

Signed:

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Chair, Reynolds School Board of Directors

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Superintendent of Schools / Clerk