

RESOLUTION 22-47

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
SANTA CLARA VALLEY OPEN SPACE AUTHORITY
RECOGNIZING ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (Authority) envisions the Santa Clara Valley as a space for all residents to live, work, learn, and enjoy outdoor experiences in nature; and

WHEREAS, the Authority strives to lead by example as a public agency working in the Bay Area in the field of environmental conservation to benefit nature and people; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is committed to connecting people to nature throughout its jurisdiction, both in its open space preserves and in urban areas, and this commitment holds true for ALL of its constituents; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Month is a celebration of Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States, encompassing all the Asian continent and the Pacific islands of Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia; and

WHEREAS, the Authority recognizes that many historically marginalized communities including the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities have been, and in certain places still are, made to feel unwelcome in public places, including in outdoor spaces including trails, parks, and open space preserves; and

WHEREAS, the Authority strives to create a culture, both internally and with the public, of respect, inclusion and belonging for all, through its communications, its programs, and through actions taken by staff, its Board of Directors, and its Citizens' Advisory Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, as an agency whose mission includes connecting people to nature, the Open Space Authority recognizes and celebrates the month of May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage month.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 28th day of April 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Kalvin Gill, Chairperson
Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

William P. Parkin, Legal Counsel

Kellie Guerra, Clerk of the Board