



**Proclamation observing
“Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month”**

Whereas, Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) communities are an integral part of the diversity that makes St. Louis Park a vibrant city; and

Whereas, this month celebrates the stories and resilience of Americans from across the Asian continent, including South Asia, the Pacific islands of Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia; and

Whereas, AANHPI Minnesotans are over 320,000 individuals representing over 40 different AANHPI nationalities including but not limited to: Asian Indians, Bangladeshi, Burmese, Cambodian, Chinese, Filipinos, Hmong, Japanese, Karen, Korean, Lao, Nepalese, Pakistani, Taiwanese, Thai and Vietnamese; and

Whereas, AANHPI peoples are the fastest growing population in Minnesota and the City of St. Louis Park is home to approximately 2,286 residents of AANHPI heritage; and

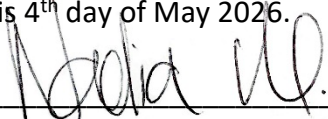
Whereas, this month serves as an opportunity to build a brighter future while acknowledging how these communities have historically faced persecution, discrimination, oppression, xenophobia, anti-Asian Hate and model minority myth that contributed to the increase of violence against AANHPI communities; and

Whereas, AANHPI from all walks of life - small business owners, community leaders, non-profit organizations and advocates have contributed greatly to the foundation of our country,

Now therefore, let it be known that the mayor and city council of the City of St. Louis Park, Minnesota, hereby observe May 2026 as Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander heritage month in our community.



Wherefore, I set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the City of St. Louis Park to be affixed this 4th day of May 2026.



Nadia Mohamed, mayor