WHEREAS, Asian-Pacific Americans have played a vital role in Santa Clara County contributing to the economic, educational, religious, and civic well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2010 census, Asian-Pacific Americans consist of over 33 percent of the population in Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, in 1992 Congress officially designated May as Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843 and also to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869; and

WHEREAS, Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month celebrates the history of a large group of people which encompasses all of the Asian continent and the Pacific islands of Melanesia (New Guinea, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Fiji and the Solomon Islands), Micronesia (Marianas, Guam, Wake Island, Palau, Marshall Islands, Kiribati, Nauru and the Federated States of Micronesia) and Polynesia (New Zealand, Hawaiian Islands, Rotuma, Midway Islands, Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, Cook Islands, French Polynesia and Easter Island);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara does hereby proclaim the month of May 2012 as

**Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month**

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this Fifth Day of June, Two Thousand and Twelve by unanimous vote.

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George Shirakawa
President, Board of Supervisors

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Mike Wasserman
Supervisor, District One

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Dave Cortese
Supervisor, District Three

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Ken Yeager
Supervisor, District Four

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Liz Kniss
Supervisor, District Five

Attest: Lynn Regananz
Interim Clerk, Board of Supervisors

[Signature]
County Counsel

Date 5-29-12