

DIWALI FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

WHEREAS, the City of Fremont is proud to recognize and celebrate Diwali as Festival of Lights on November 7th; and

WHEREAS, Diwali every year is celebrated to signify victory of good over evil by over 100 billion people in the world; and

WHEREAS, Indian Americans have greatly enriched California's education system teaching numerous students about the academic fields of astrophysics, computer science, engineering, law planetary science, psychology, and neuroscience; and

WHEREAS, Indian Americans have made significant contributions toward pluralism, non-violence and gender equality and human rights; and

WHEREAS, the Indian heritage, culture, traditions, and values provide invaluable solutions to many of life's problems and often serve as a source of inspiration, reflection, and contemplation for millions of individuals who look to the teachings of Hinduism for guidance; and

WHEREAS, Fremont has a vibrant culture highlighted by our diverse community, and invites residents to learn more about the history, culture, and contribution of Indian Americans; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fremont acknowledges the important contributions that Indian American residents have made to our City's social, economic, political, and cultural fabric.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Fremont, does hereby celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights by raising the Diwali flag.