

JEWISH HERITAGE MONTH MAY 2022

WHEREAS, Jewish American Heritage Month recognizes and celebrates American Jews' achievements and contributions to the successes of the City of Fremont, Bay Area, and across the United States of America during the month of May; and

WHEREAS, President George W. Bush first proclaimed the month on April 20, 2006, as a result of cooperation with Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA).. Since then, annual proclamations have been made by Presidents of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Jewish American experience is a history of faith, fortitude, and progress that is connected to our community's commitment to freedom of religion and conscience; and

WHEREAS, this month, the City of Fremont honors Jewish Americans — past and present — who have collectively work for a more just and fair society; leading movements for social justice, working to ensure that the opportunities that heed to the words of the Torah, “Justice, Justice shall you pursue”; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, Jewish Americans have increasingly been the target of white nationalism and antisemitic violence. The City of Fremont stands with the Jewish Americans to have zero tolerance towards hatred, bigotry, and racism in our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fremont encourages the recognition of the rich cultural heritage and ethnic diversity within the greater Bay Area as part of the City of Fremont's commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and cultural awareness programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Fremont, declares the month of May as Jewish Heritage Month in appreciation of the achievements and contributions made by members of the Jewish community to the City of Fremont. The Fremont City Council encourages all to promote and join in the appropriate celebrations and observances throughout the City of Fremont.