

Proclamation  
Korean American Day  
January 13, 2017

WHEREAS, In 2005, the United States Congress unanimously passed resolutions to recognize Korean Americans who have made significant contributions to the economic vitality in the United States; and

WHEREAS, January 13, 1903 marks the day the first group of Korean immigrants came to the United States in Honolulu, Hawaii, on the *S.S. Gaelic*. This year marks the 114<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their arrival; and

WHEREAS, Today, more than 1.7 million Korean Americans call the United States their home, and in Garden Grove, our Korean American community is a large and vibrant one; and

WHEREAS, Garden Grove's Sister City relationship with Anyang, Republic of Korea was built on mutual respect and admiration for their respective cultures in 1989; and

WHEREAS, The City is very proud of the professional and cultural contributions made by Korean American business owners and residents in Garden Grove. They have helped our community's diversity become much richer in pride and heritage; and

WHEREAS, The Korean American Federation of Orange County and the Korean American Chamber of Commerce of Orange County have been integral in helping many Korean American business owners and residents in Garden Grove become productive and proud citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Garden Grove does hereby proclaim January 13, 2017 as Korean American Day. The Garden Grove City Council does venerably recognize the contributions made by Korean Americans, and encourage all citizens to celebrate the community's diversity.

January 10, 2017