

## **PROCLAMATION**

PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2023

AS ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, for over a century, Arab Americans have been making valuable contributions to virtually every aspect of American society, including art, medicine, law, business, technology, government, architecture, literature, and culture; and

WHEREAS, since migrating to the United States, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting fine examples of model citizens and public servants; and

WHEREAS, Arab Americans have also enriched our society by embracing the American spirit of opportunity that makes our nation free and prosperous; and

WHEREAS, issues currently affecting Arab Americans, such as civil rights abuses, harmful stereotyping, harassment, and bullying, can be combatted by education and awareness; and

WHEREAS, Arab Americans join all Americans in the desire to see a peaceful and diverse society, where every individual is treated equally and feels safe; and

WHEREAS, the immense contributions and heritage of Arab Americans have helped us build a better nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Garden Grove City Council that the City celebrates the countless contributions that Arab Americans have made to American society and the City of Garden Grove, therefore hereby proclaims the month of April 2023 to be Arab American Heritage Month in Garden Grove.

March 28, 2023