

CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 21-2223

DECLARING OCTOBER 2022 AS FILIPINO AMERICAN  
HISOTRY MONTH

*WHEREAS*, the first annual Filipino American History Month was proposed by the Filipino American National Historical Society Board of Trustees to commence in October 1992 in commemoration of the arrival of the first Filipinos from the Spanish galleon Nuestra Señora de la Esperanza on Chumash land in what is now Morro Bay, California, on October 18, 1587; and

*WHEREAS*, in 2009, the U.S. Congress first passed a resolution to recognize “the celebration of Filipino American History Month as a study of the advancement of Filipino Americans and as a time to renew efforts toward the examination of history and culture in order to provide an opportunity for all people in the United States to learn more about Filipino Americans and their historic contributions to the Nation;” and

*WHEREAS*, Filipino Americans have been integral participants in social justice movements such as the United Farmworkers Movement, the fight for Ethnic Studies, Hawaiian Sugar Plantation Strikes, Washington Yakima Strikes, and Anti-Martial Law Movements across multiple decades, and—in recognition of their intersectional identities and as allies—they have also demonstrated solidarity with other communities in their fights for equity and justice, including the Black Lives Matter movement, American Indian Movement, civil rights and voting rights, women’s rights, LGBTQ+ rights, and environmental justice; and

*WHEREAS*, Filipino Americans are the third-largest Asian American group in the nation, which the U.S. Census Bureau estimates at more than four million people, and the San Francisco Bay Area is home to the second largest group of Filipino Americans by population in the United States, and Filipinos make up 6% of Alameda County’s population and 17% of the Asian population within Alameda County, with the majority living in Hayward, Union City, Fremont and San Leandro; and

*WHEREAS*, Filipino Americans play an integral role on the front lines of the COVID–19 pandemic in the health care system of the United States as nurses, doctors, first responders, and other medical professionals; and

*WHEREAS*, Filipino Americans contribute greatly to music, dance, literature, education, business, journalism, sports, fashion, politics, government, science, technology, the fine arts, and other fields that enrich the United States; and

*WHEREAS*, the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District recognizes the importance for the Filipino American community to have positive role models and to instill in them the importance of education, complemented with the richness of their ethnicity and the values of their legacy; and

*WHEREAS*, the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District is proud of the many faculty and staff of Filipino American ancestry, whose dedication to student success is essential to achieving the district's mission;

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* that the Board of Trustees of the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District hereby recognizes Filipino American History Month as an opportunity to celebrate the many notable accomplishments of Filipino Americans in the history of the United States and encourages all students, staff, faculty, and members of the public to honor and learn more about Filipino American history and culture.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following roll call vote this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022 at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees  
Chabot-Las Positas Community College District  
State of California