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[Filipino American History Month - October 2013]

Resolution proclaiming October 2013 as Filipino American History Month in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, Recognizing the great contributions of Filipino Americans to our nation's history and culture is long overdue; and,

WHEREAS, With centuries of history here dating as far back as 1587 when Filipinos first landed on this continent at Morro Bay, California; and,

WHEREAS, The establishment of the first permanent Filipino settlement was in Louisiana in 1763, decades before our country's founding; and,

WHEREAS, Filipino communities grew in every part of the United States, from Alaska to Hawaii to California; and,

WHEREAS, Filipino men and women have contributed to our nation with great sacrifice, leaving behind their families and native home to work in the fisheries on the coast and plantations in Hawaii and California; and,

WHEREAS, Despite facing significant discrimination at home and poor working conditions for low wages, during World War II, Filipino Americans were among the first to bravely fight for our country in order to protect freedom and secure peace around the world; and,

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans continue to contribute significantly to our country in areas such as health care, technology, education, government, construction, entertainment, military and every sector of our economy; and,

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans should be recognized for their strong commitment to

family and community, their valuable contributions in the workplace, and their role in fighting for equality for all Americans, particularly immigrant and minority communities; and,

WHEREAS, The Filipino American community is the second largest Asian American group in the United States, and California, especially San Francisco and the Bay Area, home to the greatest number of Filipino Americans; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors joins local residents, our Bay Area neighbors, and all Americans whose lives have been enriched by the beautiful culture and strength of Filipino Americans; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors stands with all Filipino Americans commemorating their history of shaping and strengthening our nation and their many contributions; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That San Francisco will continue to pursue and prioritize policies that recognize the needs and values of Filipino Americans and show appreciation for their communities; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim October 2013 as Filipino American History Month in the City and County of San Francisco.



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Resolution

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October 29, 2013 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 10/29/2013 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

Mayor

November 8, 2013

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Clerk of the Board