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MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP PROCLAIMS MONTH OF MAY ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER MONTH

Mount Laurel, NJ --- On Monday May 23, Mount Laurel Township Council proclaimed May 2022 as Asian American Pacific Islander month.

The month serves to celebrate the contributions Asian American Pacific Islanders have made to America’s history and culture. First celebrated in the United States in 1978, this month honors residents from Asia, India, and the Pacific Islands.

While the AAPI community continues to enrich our society with their vast diversity of languages and religions, we also recognize that this community has continued to see systemic injustices.

“The AAPI community in Mount Laurel is rich in diversity and culture. Recognizing AAPI month for the first time shows the commitment of our town to celebrate residents from all backgrounds.” Councilwoman Janjua stated.

“By recognizing AAPI month we acknowledge that while we may come from different backgrounds and not practice the same religion, we are all part of the Mount Laurel family. We are a diverse community that looks out for one another.” stated Mayor Pritchett.

Bhupindar Singh, who serves on the Township’s Environmental Commission, attended Monday night’s council meeting. “I am proud to be part of the Asian American Pacific Islander community. Our community has been in America for over 130 years helping to build infrastructure. Thank you to Township Council for highlighting and bringing awareness of this important month.”

The proclamation will take effect immediately.

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