



# Proclamation of the City Council

## City of San Diego

### **Shoaib Azizi Day**

Presented by Councilmember Raul A. Campillo

May 10, 2025

**WHEREAS**, Shoaib Azizi has dedicated his life to honoring and elevating the rich cultural heritage of Afghanistan, serving as a tireless advocate for Afghan-American and refugee communities in San Diego, and fostering unity, understanding, and cross-cultural connection among the city's diverse populations; and

**WHEREAS**, Shoaib Azizi has, through the Azizi Foundation, led the organization of San Diego's beloved annual Nowruz and Eid festivals for over two decades, creating joyful, inclusive spaces that have welcomed tens of thousands to experience the vibrancy of Afghan culture through traditional music, dance, cuisine, and storytelling; and

**WHEREAS**, Shoaib Azizi has used his voice and visibility to shine a light on the urgent challenges faced by Afghan refugees, while mobilizing critical resources—such as housing, education, and community support—for newly arrived families seeking safety and opportunity in the greater San Diego region; and

**WHEREAS**, Shoaib Azizi has empowered Afghan-American entrepreneurs by championing their inclusion in community events and celebrations, opening doors for economic development, cultural exchange, and long-term growth through visibility, partnership, and support; and


**WHEREAS**, Shoaib Azizi has strengthened the fabric of San Diego's neighborhoods through his unwavering philanthropic commitment, organizing fundraisers for refugee children, coordinating relief efforts, and hosting public forums that uplift marginalized voices and foster shared solutions; and

**WHEREAS**, Shoaib Azizi has exemplified visionary leadership, deep compassion, and an extraordinary ability to bring people together through cultural celebration, building bridges that span generations, backgrounds, and borders; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, on behalf of the people of San Diego, hereby proclaims May 10, 2025 to be "Shoaib Azizi Day" in the City of San Diego.



  
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Approved by Council on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of April, 2025