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COUNCILMEMBER CATE TO DECLARE MAY AS ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
City of San Diego's Pan Pacific Law Enforcement Association to Receive Honor & Recognition

San Diego, CA: Asian Pacific American Heritage Month is annually observed during the month of May in celebration of the cultural diversity, traditions, and rich history of Asian and Pacific Islander Americans throughout the United States. Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders are among the fastest growing racial groups in the State of California whose ethnic backgrounds represent more than 50 nationalities, speaking over 100 languages.

The City of San Diego is proud to employ a diverse group of Asian Pacific American law enforcement officers, many of whom are members of the [San Diego Pan Pacific Law Enforcement Association](#) or PANPAC. PANPAC was originally formed as the Law Enforcement Alliance of the Pacific (LEAP) on March 16, 1993, with law enforcement members of the San Diego Police Department who were of Cambodian, Chinese, Filipino, Guamanian, Hawaiian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, and Vietnamese descent, before being renamed to PANPAC in August 1993. PANPAC is dedicated to providing training and support for pre/post-employment for law enforcement professionals with a particular emphasis on the recruitment, advancement, and promotion of Asians and Pacific Islanders, to encourage and support the belief that the work force should reflect the makeup of the community, to provide speakers/translators, and act as a liaison between law enforcement and the various cultural communities. PANPAC now comprises over 350 sworn and non-sworn individuals in the law enforcement field or who support the law enforcement community, and PANPAC continues to encourage diversity and equality within the Law Enforcement profession.

"As an Asian American, I am proud to represent a council district where one in every three residents is of Asian American descent. PANPAC's officers are most-worthy of this honor and recognition," stated Councilmember Chris Cate.

WHAT: Asian Pacific American Heritage Month [Proclamation](#) presentation

WHERE: San Diego Police Officers Association Parking Lot
8388 Vickers Street, San Diego, CA 92111 (Convoy District)

WHEN: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

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