## **Proclaiming "Filipino American History Month" in Los Angeles County**

During the month of October, Filipino Americans in Los Angeles County remember the arrival of the first Filipinos in the United States, which occurred on October 18, 1587. This year marks the 32<sup>nd</sup> anniversary celebration of Filipino American History Month in the United States. Congress and the White House have also recognized Filipino American History Month to highlight the numerous contributions made by Filipinos.

There are over 4.4 million people who are Filipino living in the United States. Furthermore, Los Angeles County is home to the largest concentration of Filipinos in not only the country, but Los Angeles County is home to the largest concentration of Filipinos in the world outside of Manila.

Across the nation, colleges, museums, and community groups will celebrate throughout the month of October with activities and events to bring awareness about the role Filipino Americans have played in our history.

**I-WE, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors proclaim October 2024 as Filipino American History Month throughout Los Angeles County recognizing the rich history of Filipino Americans and their many contributions that have made our country and county stronger.

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