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**MOTION BY SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN**

**Proclaiming April 2025 as Cambodian Heritage Month**

The County of Los Angeles recognizes the numerous contributions the Cambodian population, particularly in Long Beach, has fostered a vibrant and thriving community known for its resilience, creativity, and steadfast commitment to preserving and sharing their traditions.

Los Angeles is home to one of the largest Cambodian populations in the United States, with Long Beach serving as a central hub for Cambodian Americans, where the community has worked together to preserve their cultural practices, build businesses, and establish institutions that support education, health, and well-being. The Cambodian community in Los Angeles County has contributed to the cultural landscape through the arts, including music, dance, theater, and visual arts, enriching the county's diverse cultural identity.

April 2025 marks the 50th anniversary of the Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Day, a solemn and significant milestone in the history of the Cambodian people, where we honor the memory of the victims and survivors of the genocide, recognize the resilience of those who rebuilt their lives, and stand in solidarity with those affected by this dark chapter in history.

Cambodian Heritage Month in April provides an opportunity for all residents of Los Angeles County to learn, reflect, and engage with the Cambodian community, to celebrate their contributions, and to deepen our understanding of their experiences and aspirations. To

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acknowledge the courage and perseverance of the Cambodian American community, especially the elders and survivors, who have worked tirelessly to ensure that the history of the Cambodian people is never forgotten and that future generations are empowered through knowledge and solidarity.

I, **THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim April as Cambodian Heritage Month in Los Angeles County.

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