

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN

Proclaiming Croatian American Heritage Month

The Croatian American community has made a profound and positive impact on the cultural landscape of Los Angeles County (County), contributing to its diversity and vitality. Their resilience, entrepreneurial spirit, and commitment to cultural preservation have strengthened not only their own community but also the broader social and economic fabric of the County.

The Croatian American community's connection to San Pedro is particularly noteworthy. This area, a cornerstone for Croatian immigrants, became a vital part of the fishing and canning industries at the Port of Los Angeles. The contributions of these early settlers to the maritime heritage of San Pedro, along with their vibrant cultural festivals and celebrations, have become a defining feature of the local identity. May is a month of great significance for the Croatian American community in the County, marking the celebration of Croatia's independence.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim May 2026 as Croatian American Heritage Month in Los Angeles County, to honor the rich cultural heritage and numerous contributions of Croatian Americans to the County.

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