



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Redwood Empire Chinese Association is holding their 2025 Lunar New Year's Celebration in various cities of Sonoma County with the largest celebrations being in Finley Center, Santa Rosa and in the Children's Museum of Sonoma County in Santa Rosa and;

WHEREAS, we would like to publicly recognize the importance of this inter-cultural organization in the fields of cultural education by offering community participation, organizational networking, public interactions with intercultural activities, and their many additional events which bring members, friends and families into social contact and understanding with governmental agencies and diverse people through events such as their Lunar New Year Celebration, Pot Luck Socials, and many additional cultural events and;

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the outstanding work done by the Redwood Empire Chinese Association in providing programs to children and youth by giving presentations to local schools from elementary through college levels, and for providing an active Youth Group which focuses on teen self-esteem and positive community involvement, including Lion Dancers and Dragon Dancers which provide opportunities for children and teens to perform at community events, and for the RECA's annual scholarship for Sonoma County high school seniors and;

WHEREAS, we also acknowledge the benefit of the Redwood Empire Chinese Association's adult programs including the Adult Chorus, Adult Cultural Dancers, many members of all ages who offer information and contact at RECA interaction tables at many community events and RECA's community involvement in assisting governmental agencies, businesses, and schools with requested assistance in matters concerning Chinese and Asian cultural and language issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mark Stapp, Mayor of the city of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim a sincere acknowledgement of the many successes in increasing intercultural understanding and acceptance by the Redwood Empire Chinese Association.



Mayor Mark Stapp
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