



# Proclamation

The City of Clayton  
State of California

declaring

April

as

"Arab-American Heritage Month"

**Whereas**, for over a century, Arab Americans have been making valuable contributions to virtually every aspect of American society in medicine, law, business, technology, government, and culture; and

**Whereas**, since migrating to America, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting fine examples of being model citizens and public servants; bringing their resilient family values, strong work ethic, dedication to education and diversity in faith and creed that have added strength to our great democracy; and

**Whereas**, Arab Americans have also enriched our society by sharing in the entrepreneurial American spirit that makes our nation free and prosperous; and

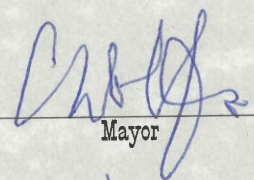
**Whereas**, the history of Arab Americans in the U.S. remains neglected or defaced by misconceptions, bigotry, and anti-Arab hate in the forms of crimes and speech; and

**Whereas**, Arab American issues, such as civil rights abuses, harmful stereotyping, and bullying must be combatted in the forms of education and awareness; as Arab Americans join all Americans in the desire to see a peaceful and diverse society, where every individual is treated equally and feels safe; and

**Whereas**, the incredible contributions and heritage of Arab Americans have helped us build a better nation;

**Now, therefore**, I, CW Wolfe, Mayor of the City of Clayton, hereby proclaim April as **National Arab American Heritage Month** in Clayton, CA and encourage all residents to join us in this special observance, celebrating the contributions Arab Americans have made to society.



  
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Mayor

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# Proclamation

The City of Clayton  
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April

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"Autism Acceptance Month"

**Whereas**, each year, people across the globe take time to recognize the millions of people living with autism spectrum disorder; and

**Whereas**, autism spectrum disorder is a pervasive developmental disorder affecting the social, communication, and behavioral skills of those affected by it; and

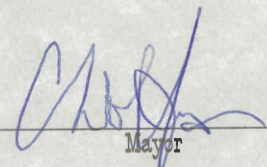
**Whereas**, one in 68 American children are diagnosed on the autism spectrum; and

**Whereas**, this number has increased over time as identification methods have improved; and

**Whereas**, schools in Contra Costa County continue awareness efforts in order to educate professionals, students, and community members about autism and best practices in educating individuals with autism.

**Now, therefore**, be it proclaimed that the City Council of the City of Clayton does hereby join the nation in recognizing April as National Autism Acceptance Month, as a symbol of our commitment to creating a culture of disability awareness and inclusion for all members of our community.

**Now, Therefore**, I, Carl Wolfe, Mayor, and on behalf of the entire Clayton City Council, proclaim April as Autism Acceptance Month in Clayton, CA and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.



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Mayor

4/21/21  
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# Proclamation

The City of Clayton  
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declaring  
April 22nd  
as  
"Earth Day"

**Whereas**, for our children and future generations, we hope for a world with a stable human population that sustains all life on the Earth; and

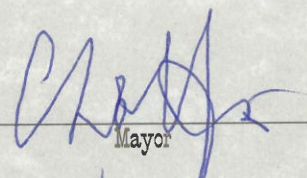
**Whereas**, we desire diversity among animals, birds, sea life, flora, and fauna that is equal to or greater than what exists today; and

**Whereas**, we deserve a world powered by energy that does not require the use of finite natural resources, and does not create radioactive or toxic waste; and

**Whereas**, we ask world societies to commit to long-term development practices, fully acknowledging future generations, as well as the natural world of tomorrow;

**Now, therefore**, I, CW Wolfe, Mayor of the City of Clayton, hereby proclaim April 22nd as **EARTH DAY** and ask the citizens of Clayton to pledge to review their lifestyles and consider the habits and ways in which they may cause undue harm to the Earth; and in every deliberation consider the impact on future generations.



  
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Mayor  
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# Proclamation

The City of Clayton  
State of California

declaring

April 24

as

**"Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day"**

**WHEREAS**, human rights advocates and historians from around the world recognize and mourn the 1.5 million Armenians who perished in the Armenian Genocide as ordered by the government of the Ottoman Empire, which began on April 24, 1915 with the arrest, exile and murder of hundreds of Armenian intellectuals, political, religious, and business leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, during the 1915-1923 Genocide, Armenian survivors were forced to witness the slaughter of their relatives and the loss of their ancestral land and property in what is now known as the "First Genocide of the 20th Century"; and

**WHEREAS**, the government of the Ottoman Empire claimed the lives of 1.5 million Armenians and forced 500,000 more from their homeland. The Armenian Genocide was a terrible breach of human rights and an event that has outraged the world; and

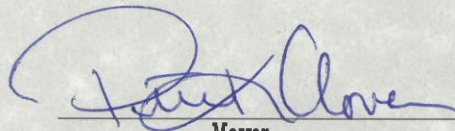
**WHEREAS**, the atrocities carried out against the Armenian people were grave and unimaginable, as they were subjected to deportation, abduction, torture, starvation, and more. And as with any violent conflict, Armenian women and children suffered the worst abuses. The bulk of the Armenian population that was displaced from their homes was forced to escape to neighboring areas as well as faraway countries including the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States is honored to be a home to a vibrant growing Armenian-American population. This thriving community is a proud reminder of survival and determination even in the face of extreme injustice; and

**WHEREAS**, as Americans, it is our duty to raise awareness of the Armenian Genocide and to participate in the remembrance and mourning of the loss of innocent lives more than a century ago; and

**WHEREAS**, the failure to learn from the past allows history to repeat itself as the world saw during the 2020 Nagorno-Karabagh war when the military forces of Azerbaijan and Turkey attacked the Armenian civilian population of Nagorno-Karabagh and its churches and civic buildings, resulting in casualties and loss of ancestral land and property, motivated by the same genocidal campaign that their ancestors suffered 106 years earlier.

**Now, Therefore**, I, Peter Cloven, Mayor, and on behalf of the entire Clayton City Council, proclaim April 24, as "Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day" in Clayton, CA and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.



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Mayor

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