



# Proclamation

## Filipino Heritage Month

June 2023

- WHEREAS** each year the Filipino-Canadian community of Surrey and Metro Vancouver celebrates the historic celebration of the Philippines; and
- WHEREAS** the annual Philippine Independence Day celebration organized by the Surrey Philippine Independence Day Society (SPIDS) brings together in celebration and activities the Filipino-Canadian families and communities to recognize and showcase the rich cultural heritage of the Filipino people; and
- WHEREAS** the contribution of the Filipino-Canadian community through the efforts of Surrey Philippine Independence Day Society (SPIDS) petitioned signatures in support of the Proclamation of June as Filipino Heritage Month in Canada, which was recognized in October 2018; and
- WHEREAS** various Filipino community organizations hold annual events to celebrate Philippine Independence Day (June 12) and Filipino culture across the country throughout the month of June; and
- WHEREAS** the Filipino-Canadian community of Surrey will honour Filipino Heritage Month this June 2023 through cultural celebrations and community activities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Brenda Locke, do hereby declare June 2023 as “Filipino Heritage Month” in the City of Surrey.

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Mayor Brenda Locke  
City of Surrey