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### **Board of Supervisors to Host Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Celebration on May 9**

(Martinez, CA) – The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors will celebrate Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) cultures and traditions during a ceremony at its regular meeting at **9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 9**. This year's theme is "Uplifting Our Heritage, Resilience, and Legacies."

"The fabric of our County is woven with the cultures, languages, food, and traditions of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities," said Board Chair Supervisor John Gioia. "In the face of increased anti-Asian hate, we condemn any violence committed against AANHPI community members and stand in solidarity with our neighbors."

The AANHPI celebration will feature guest speaker, Andi Li, who founded the Tri-Valley Chapter of the Asian Pacific Islander Public Affairs Association in the Bay Area and served as its chapter president. After years of service in non-profit organizations and government-appointed positions, Andy was elected to Contra Costa Community College District Governing Board in 2018 and was elected as board president in 2021.

The celebration will showcase dance, music, food, and unique customs from some Asian and Pacific Islander communities represented in Contra Costa County, including Nepalese, Korean, Filipino, Chinese, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Lao, Thai, and Burmese communities. The multicultural celebration will be offered simultaneous interpretation in eight languages on the County's website through Zoom: Tagalog, Mandarin, Cantonese, Nepali, Punjabi, Korean, Spanish, and American Sign Language (ASL).

The community can watch the event live online at [www.contracosta.ca.gov/6086](http://www.contracosta.ca.gov/6086) or [www.contracostatv.org](http://www.contracostatv.org). The celebration will also broadcast live on Contra Costa Television (CCTV) channels: AT&T U-Verse 99, Comcast 27, or Astound 32 & 1027. Television viewers can enable SAP to hear Mandarin interpretation. Learn more about the [Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander \(AANHPI\) Celebration](#).

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