## Proclamation

**Thereas,** for more than a century, Boys & Girls Clubs have helped put young people on the path to great futures. Over 4,000 Clubs serve some 4.1 million young people through membership and outreach, and over 4,200 of these youth are Alameda residents; and

**Thereas**, the Alameda Boys & Girls Club offers programs and services to promote and enhance the development of boys and girls by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, belonging

and influence; and

**Thereas,** the Alameda Boys & Girls Club's doors are open to all youth, from all schools and backgrounds, every day and evening after school, on weekends and during school

vacations, being the only facility in Alameda that provides this service; and

the Alameda Boys & Girls Club's mission is to enable all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens, which they facilitate with their hi-tech computer labs, world class commercial kitchen, edible garden and state-of-the-art Youth

Development Center; and

**Whereas**, in addition to after-school homework help and tutoring, the Alameda Boys & Girls Club offers free dental, vision and medical screenings from local medical professionals and

assists with access to follow-up care; and

**Thereas**, the Alameda Boys & Girls Club is at the forefront of efforts to provide education and career

development, vocational skills, character and leadership skills, health and life skills, STEM and technology skills, fine and performing arts; and sports, fitness and recreation programs;

and

**Thereas**, the Alameda Boys & Girls Club ensures that youth are offered a safe and supportive home

away from home, providing quality support services and recreational programs.

**Row, therefore, be it resolved,** that I, Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, Mayor of Alameda, do hereby proclaim April 8th through April 12th, 2019 as

## National Boys & Girls Club Week

in the City of Alameda and proudly call upon the residents of Alameda to join me in recognizing and commending the Alameda Boys & Girls Club for such beneficial and important services for the youth in our community.

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