Proclamation

- **Phereas**, Jewish American Heritage Month is an annual celebration of Jewish Americans who have helped weave the fabric of American history, culture, and society; and
- **Thereas**, 2019 marks the 39th annual celebration of achievements and contributions by Jewish Americans, starting with the establishment of Jewish American Heritage Week in 1980 and expanded upon in 2006, when Congress ordered that the country observe an annual Jewish American Heritage Month each May; and
- **Whereas**, Jewish American Heritage Month acknowledges achievements of American Jews in the fields of sports, arts, entertainment, medicine, business, science, government, military service, music, and more; and
- **Whereas**, in 2019, the theme of Jewish American Heritage Month is American Jewish Illustrators, and we are honored to recognize American Jews who helped create beloved children's books, iconic graphic novels, superheroes, syndicated comics and illustrations including cartoonist Roz Chast, author and illustrator Maurice Sendak, cartoonist Liana Finck, and the legendary Stan Lee.

Now, therefore be it resolved, that I, Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, Mayor of the City of Alameda, on behalf of the Alameda City Council, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as

Jewish American Heritage Month

in the City of Alameda and encourage Alamedans to celebrate the history and contributions of Jewish Americans to our culture and society.

Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft

Mayor