

# Office of the Mayor

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**WHEREAS:** the national character of the United States has been enhanced by citizens who maintain and honor cultural values and customs brought from other lands; Americans of Asian and Pacific Islander ancestry have long been part of that tradition by enriching the fabric of our society with their unique talents and abilities; and

**WHEREAS:** the Asian Americans in Garland like other foreigners and refugees often had to rebuild their lives by learning new skills to succeed in their adopted country. They contributed to their new society in many different fields all while building a better life and future for their families under the umbrella of freedom and they are proud to call Garland their home; and

**WHEREAS:** to honor the accomplishments and contributions of Asian Pacific Americans to our Nation, in 1992 Congress approved Public Law 102-450, designating the month of May as "Asian/ Pacific American Heritage Month"; and

**WHEREAS:** the City of Garland is honored that many Asian Americans have chosen Garland as their home or place of business and welcomes the diversity that their choice has provided for all sectors of our residential and business community; and

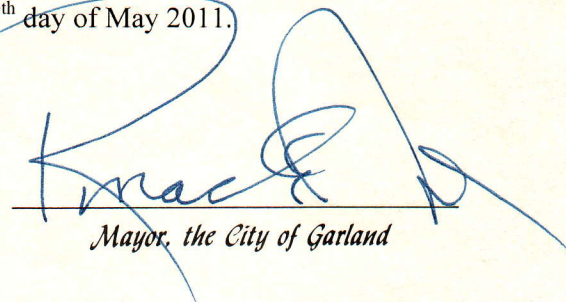
**WHEREAS:** we encourage our citizens to join in celebrating the collective accomplishments of the heterogeneous communities that comprise our Asian Pacific American cultures.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ronald E. Jones, Mayor of the City of Garland, Texas, do hereby proclaim May 2011 in Garland, Texas as**

### ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Garland, Texas, to be affixed on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 2011.**



  
Mayor, the City of Garland