Town of Sharon

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month is observed during the month of May to recognize the contributions and influence of AAPI persons as part of the whole history, culture, and achievement of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Sharon is committed to providing comprehensive support to ensure that Sharon is equitable and welcoming to all people and each of us has a personal responsibility to prevent the spread of misinformation, stereotypes, condemn violent acts in any form, support all fellow community members; and

WHEREAS, during AAPI Heritage Month, we acknowledge the additional determination, hard work, and perseverance AAPI persons must put forth to be heard and seen and that these additional efforts are a result of inequitable institutional and systemic injustices; and

WHEREAS, Sharon is proud to be home to a large AAPI population that contributes to the prosperity and enrichment of our community and Sharon is proud to celebrate AAPI Heritage Month and commemorate the essential contributions, sacrifices, and accomplishments that the AAPI communities have made; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, The Sharon Select Board does hereby proclaim the month of May to be annually recognized as AAPI Heritage Month; we call this observance to the attention of all Sharon residents.

Given this !4th day of May 2024

Kiana Pierre-Louis, Chair

Hanna R. Switlekowski, Clerk

Emily E. Smith-Lee, Member