

PROCLAMATION

AMERICAN MUSLIM APPRECIATION MONTH AUGUST 2024

WHEREAS, enriched by the unparalleled diversity of its residents, the City of Fremont takes great pride in supporting individual religious freedoms and is strengthened by the many varied religious, political, and cultural traditions and contributions of its diverse populations, including those that practice Islam, and over 90,000 Muslims live in Alameda County, and made significant contributions to the cultural, political, and economic fabric and well-being of City of Fremont, State of California, and the United States; and the Islamic Society of East Bay has established their COVID-19 Care Program, which provides financial aid, groceries and supplies, serves dinners at Abode Homeless Shelter, and delivers food to all vulnerable community members; and

WHEREAS, the Islamic Center of Fremont and its volunteers have served 100 meals a day since the beginning of the pandemic and continued its monthly grocery bag delivery program for the underprivileged of the Tri-Valley area in partnership with Salaam Food Pantry to serve the economically disadvantaged community, and the Salaam Food Pantry was established in 2016 to serve economically disadvantaged community members through their monthly grocery bag delivery, hot meal program in partnership with local restaurants, and partial rental & utility payments for dozens of families with help of the youth; and

WHEREAS, the Ilm Academy is inspiring in their commitment to community service their student lead initiatives in support of our Fremont Human Services collection efforts resulted in their generous donations of blankets, clothing, and essential items have significantly supported our homeless neighbors, including assisting the Fremont Fire Department to aid fire victims. Their collective efforts showcase their compassion and dedication to helping those in need; and

WHEREAS, the Fremont-based American Muslim Community Foundation is an innovative and award-winning national community foundation that has committed to social basic needs, racial justice, and health equity initiatives by distributing more than \$8,000,000 to over 400 nonprofits through creating Donor Advised Funds, Giving Circles, distributing grants, partnering on sponsorships & building endowments for the American Muslim community.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Fremont, hereby honors and recognizes the month of August 2024 as American Muslim Appreciation Month in the City of Fremont.



DATE

September 3, 2024

MAYOR

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CITY OF FREMONT

Certificate of Appreciation

This certificate is awarded to

ILM Academy

In recognition of Muslim American Appreciation Month, we honor the ILM Academy students and family for its outstanding commitment to community care. Their generous contributions, including donations of blankets, clothing, and essential items for the homeless, showcase a true spirit of compassion. In addition, their past proceeds from a recent bake sale were donated to the Fremont Fire Department to support fire victims, reflecting their dedication to helping those in need.

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Mayor Lily Mei

August 30, 2024

Date


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