

The City of Millbrae, California

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, On March 25, 1821, the people of Greece declared their independence and liberty from the Ottoman Empire, which had occupied Greece for nearly 400 years; and

WHEREAS, On that day, Bishop Germanos of Patras raised the Greek flag at the monastery of Agia Lavras, inciting the Peloponnese to rise against their oppressors; and

WHEREAS, After many years of war, with the allied support of Great Britain, France, and Russia, the people of Greece won their independence from the Ottoman Empire on September 14, 1829; and

WHEREAS, Americans, whose families immigrated from Greece, celebrate this day by displaying the National Flag of Greece, wearing traditional Greek attire, and hosting festivals in commemoration of their ancestors who fought and gave their lives so that their posterity would be free from oppression; and

WHEREAS, The City of Millbrae recognizes Greek Independence Day, and honors the heritage of more than 1.3 million Americans of Greek descent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, WE, the members of the Millbrae City Council, do hereby proclaim

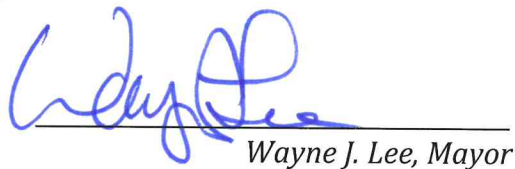
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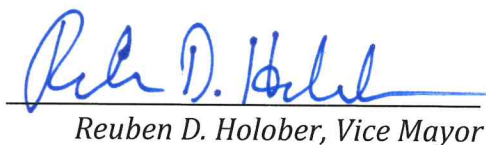
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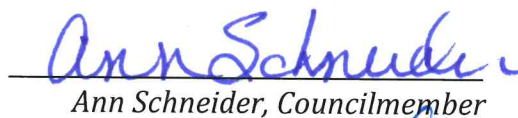
"GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY"

We hereby encourage our community and businesses to use this day to celebrate the people of Greek heritage from all over the world and celebrate Greek Independence Day.




Wayne J. Lee, Mayor


Reuben D. Holober, Vice Mayor


Ann Schneider, Councilmember


Anne E. Oliva, Councilmember


Gina Papan, Councilmember

Dated: March 12, 2019

