

RESOLUTION THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-**

**RESOLUTION HONORING COUNCIL MEMBER CORINA LOPEZ AND PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGING HER ROLE AS THE FIRST LATINX CITY COUNCIL MEMBER IN THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO**

WHEREAS, Council Member Corina Lopez was first elected to the San Leandro City Council as part of the November 2014 election and commenced her public service as a member of the City Council in January 2015; and

WHEREAS upon taking office, Council Member Lopez distinguished herself by becoming the first Latinx member of the City Council in San Leandro's history; and

WHEREAS, both the State of California and the City of San Leandro embrace and celebrate their diverse ethnic and cultural heritages, including the largest ethnic group in the state – 15.6 million Latinx, whose roots stretch throughout North, Central, and South America, along with the many residents who trace their ancestors to the original Indigenous communities of Latin America and Africa; and

WHEREAS, throughout California's history, its Latinx communities have faced many inequalities and injustices, while helping to shape the state's social, political, and economic landscapes, and that legacy continues today; and

WHEREAS, Latinx heritage is deeply rooted in California's culture and history, with nearly four in ten Californians identifying as Latinx; and

WHEREAS, diversity is a key element of California's strength and Latinx communities contribute to this strength every day; and

WHEREAS, by acknowledging Council Member Lopez as the first Latinx member of the City Council, the City seeks to further honor and celebrate the contributions of all Latinx leaders in our history and those who serve our community; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Pauline Russo Cutter, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, on behalf of the entire City Council, hereby recognize and honor Council Member Corina Lopez. The City of San Leandro further invites all members of the San Leandro community to utilize this recognition as an opportunity to reflect on the rich culture, history, and contributions of Latinx peoples towards the enrichment of the American experience.

Passed and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022, by the following vote:

Members of the Council:

AYES: ()

NOES: ()

ABSENT: ()

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kelly B. Clancy, Acting City Clerk