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# PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, the City of Seattle is proud of its diversity and draws its strength from the rich cultures and traditions of its citizenry; and*

*WHEREAS, the Asian Pacific American community has helped shape our city's history, economy, and culture; and*

*WHEREAS, our strong Asian Pacific American community has played a significant role in defining Seattle as an international city while also enriching our local neighborhoods in countless ways; and*

*WHEREAS, Asian Pacific Americans have strengthened our community, sharing their values and traditions of excellence in education, entrepreneurship, and community service; and*

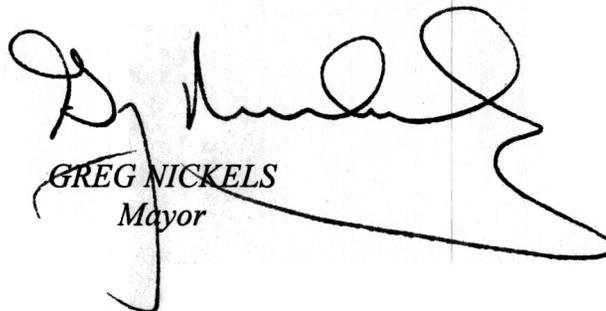
*WHEREAS, on May 24, 2006 people will gather to recognize the struggles of Asian Pacific Americans and celebrate the successes of that community; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREGORY J. NICKELS, Mayor of the City of Seattle, do hereby proclaim May, 2006 to be*

## **ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN MONTH**

*in Seattle, and encourage all citizens to learn more about the history of Asian Pacific Americans and recognize their rich legacy of ingenuity, perseverance, and achievement.*



  
GREG NICKELS  
Mayor