



State of Louisiana

Parish of Caddo

In the Name and By the Authority of The
Caddo Parish Commission

SPECIAL RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE FIL-AM ASSOCIATION OF THE ARK-LA-TEX & FILIPINO AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission is pleased to acknowledge events of significance that occur in the community, and to recognize the organizations and individuals who are now and for a long time have been in the forefront of positive and worthy activities and deeds that accrue to the benefit of all; and

WHEREAS, such an organization is the **Fil-Am Association of the ARK-LA-TEX**, who will be hosting the 9th Annual Filipino American Heritage Month Celebration Gala at the LSUS Ballroom on October 4, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Fil-Am Association of the Ark-La-Tex. was founded to celebrate, educate and encourage Filipino American heritage to not only their members but to the communities in which their citizens live and serve on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the first recognized permanent Filipino settlement in the United States was in Saint Malo, Louisiana in 1763. Saint Malo, a fishing community which put in motion the economic, cultural, social and other notable contributions that Filipino Americans have made in countless ways toward the development of the history of the United States; and

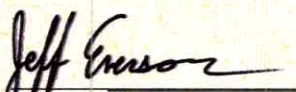
WHEREAS, Filipino Americans have contributed greatly to the fine arts, music, literature, education, business, journalism, sports, fashion, politics, government, science, technology, and other fields which enrich the landscape of the United States of America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Caddo Parish Commission meeting in due and regular session, that it does hereby welcome the celebration of and recognize October 2025 as:

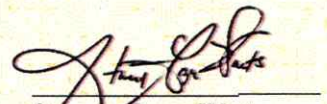
"FILIPINO AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH"


in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, entreating all citizens of the Parish to join in applauding this observance and in welcoming and honoring Fil-Am Association of the Ark-La-Tex members and guests.

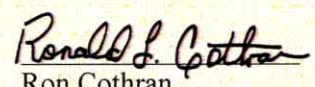
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