



**HONORARY PROCLAMATION
RECOGNIZING JUNE 19, 2024 AS
"JUNETEENTH DAY" IN ARROYO GRANDE**

WHEREAS, Juneteenth has become the harbinger of the ending of the institution of slavery in this great nation; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth embodies the indomitable human spirit of the past, the present, and all time; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Juneteenth gives us all the opportunity to rededicate ourselves to the true American spirit; and

WHEREAS, we are citizens who wish to secure the blessings of freedom, justice, and equality for all in this great City of ours; and

WHEREAS, the collaboration of community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, local businesses, and local government are committed to being part of the solution and guidance in continuing the struggle for freedom, justice, and equality for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Caren Ray Russom, Mayor of the City of Arroyo Grande hereby recognize June 19, 2024, as "Juneteenth Day" in the City of Arroyo Grande and urge all to join in recognizing the importance of this day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Arroyo Grande to be affixed this 11th day of June 2024.

CAREN RAY RUSSOM, MAYOR

