

## Proclamation

- Whereas*, Jewish American Heritage Month is observed during the month of May to celebrate and pay tribute to the contributions of generations of Jewish Americans who helped weave the fabric of American history, culture, and society; and
- Whereas*, since 1654, Jewish Americans have contributed to our nation's diversity, economic strength, scientific advancement, and cultural richness, playing a vital role in the arts, entertainment, government, military, and academic spheres; and
- Whereas*, the strength of our society is measured by how we protect our minority populations, and celebrating Jewish Heritage is essential to fostering a welcoming, inclusive community; and
- Whereas*, the Jewish community in Manhattan Beach has been an integral part of our city's diverse and vibrant cultural mosaic, bringing with them a deep commitment to family, faith, and community; and
- Whereas*, the City of Manhattan Beach shares an obligation to condemn and combat antisemitism, including but not limited to physical attacks, vandalism, verbal and physical harassment, and hateful comments posted on social media; and
- Whereas*, there is a need for education and policies that are culturally competent when describing, discussing, or addressing the impacts of being Jewish in all aspects of American society, including discourse and policy; and
- Whereas*, we celebrate the rich and diverse heritage of the Jewish American community, including those who live, work and play in the City of Manhattan Beach.

*Now, Therefore, BE IT Resolved* that I, David Lesser, Mayor of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, on behalf of the City Council and the residents of Manhattan Beach, do hereby proclaim May 2026 as

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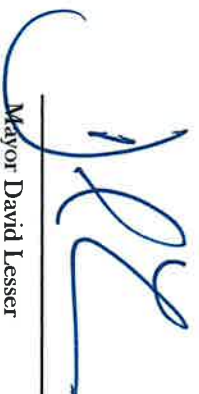
and encourage all residents to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful, and prosperous for all.

*Dated* this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2026.

ATTEST:



City Clerk Liza Yamura



Mayor David Lesser

