# *CITY OF YAKIMA*
# *P R O C L A M A T I O N*

***WHEREAS,*** *generations of immigrants from every corner of the globe have built our country's economic and created the unique character of our nation; and*

***WHEREAS****, immigrants continue to grow businesses, innovate, strengthen our economy, and create American jobs in Yakima, Washington; and*

***WHEREAS,*** *immigrants have provided the United States with unique social and cultural influence, fundamentally enriching the extraordinary character of our nation; and*

***WHEREAS,*** *immigrants have been tireless leaders not only in securing their own rights and access to equal opportunity, but have also campaigned to create a fairer and more just society for all Americans; and*

***WHEREAS,*** *despite these countless contributions, the role of immigrants in building and enriching our nation has frequently been overlooked and undervalued throughout our history and continuing to the present day,*

***NOW, THEREFORE,*** *I Kathy Coffey, Mayor of the City of Yakima and on behalf of the Yakima City Council, do hereby proclaim June 2018 as*

# *"IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH"*

*in the City of Yakima and ask all people to join me in this special observance.*

*Dated this 5th day of June, 2018*

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*Kathy Coffey, Mayor*