

PROCLAMATION

RECOGNIZING MISS HERCULES 2020 JANETTE LARES AND ACKNOWLEDGING HER SERVICE AND COMMITMENT TO THE HERCULES COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Janette Lares was born and raised in the Bay Area, a daughter of Mexican Immigrants. She attended Hannah Ranch Elementary and graduated as a Hercules Titan from Hercules High School. She obtained her bachelors degree in Marine Science from Cal State Monterey Bay in Seaside, CA.

WHEREAS, After graduating Janette returned to Hercules, her beloved community, and began competing in pageants to amplify her environmental advocacy. She currently holds the title of Miss Hercules 2020 where she was coronated at The Spanish Steps in the Victoria by the Bay Park and Miss California Earth 2022 at the Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor Center in San Diego.

WHEREAS, As a proud Herculean she has represented the city in various pageants on multiple stages. She was recently placed as a Top 20 semi-finalists at Miss Earth USA in Orlando, Florida in January 2023. She also walked in New York Fashion Week and San Diego Swim Week promoting sustainability and environmental conservation.

WHEREAS, Now, as a former Miss California Earth and Miss Hercules Janette continues to advocate for sustainable practices and resilient communities. She currently leads The Bay Area Chapter of a non-profit organization called We Clean Trails. We Clean Trails is a community cleanup non-profit organization that aims to reduce the amount of litter in our local communities. The efforts of the We Clean Trails organization help alleviate the risks that litter, air pollution and plastic debris have on our community's environment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Dan Romero, Mayor of the City of Hercules, on behalf of the entire City Council and the Hercules community, do hereby commend and express appreciation to Miss Hercules Janette Lares for her dedication to the preservation, management and restoration to the community she proudly serves.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Hercules to be affixed on this 26th day of March 2024.

Dan Romero, Mayor