

WHEREAS, for over a century, Arab Americans have been making valuable contributions to many aspects of American society: in medicine, law, business, education, technology, government, military service, culture; and

WHEREAS, since migrating to America, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting fine examples of model citizens and public servants; and

WHEREAS, they brought with them to America their resilient family values, strong work ethic, dedication to education, and diversity in faith and creed that have added strength to our great democracy; and

WHEREAS, Arab Americans have also enriched our society by sharing in the entrepreneurial American spirit that makes our nation free and prosperous; and

WHEREAS, they join all Americans in the desire to see a peaceful and diverse society, where every individual is treated equally and feels safe; and

WHEREAS, the incredible contributions and heritage of Arab Americans have helped us build a better nation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I Laurie A. DiRocco, Mayor of the Town of Vienna, and on behalf of the Vienna Town Council hereby recognize April 2019 as:

**National Arab American Heritage Month**

in the Town of Vienna. We encourage our citizens, employees, and the larger community, to join us in this special observance.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town to be affixed this 8th day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Laurie A. DiRocco, Mayor

Attest:

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Melanie J. Clark, CMC  
Town Clerk