

Certificate of Commendation City of Laguna Woods Community Bridge Builders First Anniversary

WHEREAS, Community Bridge Builders was formed in May 2023 in response to rising hate incidents of antisemitism and the fatal shooting at the Taiwanese Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Community Bridge Builders has purchased and shown anti-bias training materials and taught people how to speak up for themselves or others, and not be a bystander, without creating conflict; and

WHEREAS, Community Bridge Builders has held programs bringing together diverse groups through fashion, food, music, and holiday festivities, learning and sharing cultural differences with others; and

WHEREAS, Community Bridge Builders has created cards to express gratitude to others for the way someone made them feel; and

WHEREAS, Community Bridge Builders brought the community together for “One Song”, with choruses sung in various languages like Hindi, Spanish, Korean, German, and Farsi, and the participants wearing the clothing representing their heritage; and

WHEREAS, Community Bridge Builders has had a positive effect on the whole community and created a ripple effect to other clubs and activities throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Community Bridge Builders’ role is to combat hate and prejudice through education, advocacy, and sharing of cultural experiences and personal stories or poems.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Laguna Woods City Council does hereby commend Community Bridge Builders on the occasion of its first anniversary, as well as its accomplishments and ongoing contributions to the Laguna Woods community.

Dated this 15th day of May, 2024

Noel Hatch
Mayor

Attest: Yolie Trippy, CMC
City Clerk