

Proclamation

RECOGNIZING JUNE 14, 2011 AS FLAG DAY IN TULARE COUNTY

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2011, Americans will observe the 234th birthday of the flag of the United States of America. This special day provides a time for our Nation to reflect on our flag's rich history and its meaning to Americans and people around the world; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 1777, the Second Constitutional Congress adopted a flag with thirteen stripes and thirteen stars to represent our Nation, one star for each of our founding colonies. The stars were set upon a blue field, in the words of the Congress's resolution, "representing a new constellation" in the night sky. What was then a fledgling democracy has flourished and expanded, as we constantly strive toward a more perfect Union; and

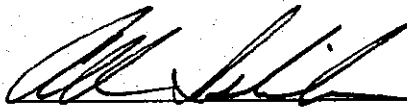
WHEREAS, through the successes and struggles we have faced, the American flag has been ever present. It has flown on our ships and military bases around the world as we continue to defend liberty and democracy abroad. It has been raised in yards and on porches across America on days of celebration, and as a sign of our shared heritage. And it is lowered on days of remembrance to honor fallen service members and public servants; or when tragedy strikes and we join together in mourning. Our flag is the mark of one country, one people, uniting under one banner; and

WHEREAS, on Flag Day, and during National Flag Week, we celebrate the powerful beacon of hope that our flag has become for us all, and for people around the world; and

WHEREAS, to commemorate the adoption of our flag, the Congress, by joint resolution approved August 3, 1949, as amended (63 Stat. 492), designated June 14 of each year as "Flag Day."

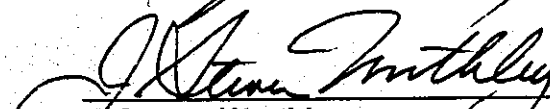
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Tulare County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize June 14, 2011 as Flag Day in Tulare County.

June 14, 2011


Allen Ishida, Vice Chairman


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