A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 19-25, 2025, AS "NATIONAL LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK" IN THE CITY OF POMONA

WHEREAS, Lead Poisoning Prevention Week is a national annual campaign observed during the last full week of October to raise awareness about the dangers of lead exposure and to encourage communities to take action to prevent childhood lead poisoning; and

WHEREAS, lead exposure poses serious health risks, especially to young children, affecting brain development, learning ability, behavior, and overall health; and

WHEREAS, despite significant progress in reducing lead exposure in recent decades, lead poisoning remains a persistent and preventable public health issue, especially in older homes, contaminated soil, imported goods, and some drinking water systems; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's Lead Poisoning Prevention Week, "Nutrition as Prevention," highlights the important role of a healthy diet in protecting children from the harmful effects of lead by reducing its absorption into the body; and

WHEREAS, families and caregivers are encouraged to provide children with well-balanced meals and snacks rich in calcium, iron, and vitamin C to help prevent lead absorption and promote overall health and development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pomona stands with public health officials, educators, healthcare providers, and community organizations to promote education, prevention, and outreach efforts during Lead Poisoning Prevention Week; and

WHEREAS, all Pomona residents are encouraged to participate in Lead Poisoning Prevention Week by attending local events, accessing available resources, and sharing information with family and neighbors to help protect children from lead exposure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Pomona does hereby proclaim the week of October 19 through October 25, 2025, as:

"NATIONAL LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK"

Dated this 6th day of October 2025