

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COMMEMORATING AND CELEBRATING JULY 4, 2026 AS THE “250th ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE” IN THE CITY OF POMONA

WHEREAS, in the year 1776, the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence, asserting the right of the thirteen American colonies to self-governance and freedom from British rule; and

WHEREAS, this bold declaration laid the foundation for a new nation built on the principles of liberty, democracy, and justice; and

WHEREAS, over the past 250 years, the United States of America has grown from a fledgling republic to a global superpower, continually striving to uphold these foundational ideals; and

WHEREAS, this occasion offers a unique opportunity to reflect on the nation's journey, celebrate its achievements, and envision its future; and

WHEREAS, as we commemorate this significant milestone, Americans should work together in addressing the challenges of the 21st century and building a more equitable and prosperous society; and

WHEREAS, as the United States embarks on the next chapter of its history, this milestone celebration will stand as a testament to the strength, resilience, and determination of its people.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA does hereby recognize and celebrates July 4, 2026 as the 250th anniversary of our nation’s independence, and we acknowledge the contributions of diverse communities in shaping our nation's identity.

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Dated this 20th day of July, 2026