

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, May is Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, which celebrates Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the “Asia Fest 2008” festival, a celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, will be held on May 3, 2008 at the future site of the Asian American Resource Center; and

WHEREAS, the festival is free and open to the public and will showcase the diverse culture and heritage of the Austin Asian Community, and the festival serves a public purpose by promoting civic pride and celebrating ethnic diversity, similar to other events which are co-sponsored by the City; and

WHEREAS, the Asian population of the City of Austin has continued to grow over the past decade and plays a vital role in the enrichment of the community; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to promote diversity in the City by participating in the celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and showcasing their diverse culture; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

1. The Asia Fest 2008 festival is designated as a co-sponsored special event for 2008.
2. The City Manager is authorized to negotiate and execute a Co-Sponsorship Agreement with the Network of Asian-American Organizations for the Asia Fest 2008.

ADOPTED: _____, 2008 **ATTEST:** _____

Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk

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