

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** October 2016 is the 429th anniversary of the earliest documented proof of Filipino presence in the continental United States when “Luzones Indios” arrived on the shores of the West Coast; and
- WHEREAS:** In Oregon, thousands of Filipino Americans have made contributions to the fields of teaching, business, government service, agriculture, ministry, medicine and other sciences, humanities and the United States military; and
- WHEREAS:** It is imperative for Filipino American youth to have positive role models and instill in them the importance of education, complemented with the richness of their ethnicity and values of their legacy; and
- WHEREAS:** Efforts must continue to promote the study of Filipino American history and culture, because the role of the Filipino Americans and those of other people have been overlooked in the writing, teaching, and learning of United States history; and
- WHEREAS:** This anniversary is a significant time to study the advancement of Filipino Americans – a time of celebration, remembrance, reflection and motivation – and a relevant time for all of our citizens to learn and appreciate more about Filipino Americans and their historic contributions to our nation and to Oregon.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **October 2016** to be

FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, August 2, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kate Brown", written in a cursive style.

Kate Brown, Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne P. Atkins", written in a cursive style.

Jeanne P. Atkins, Secretary of State