

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING OCTOBER, 2022, AS  
ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**

WHEREAS, Italian American Heritage and Culture Month was first celebrated in 1989 by special proclamation of both houses of Congress and then-president George H. Bush; and

WHEREAS, each October, as part of the Italian American Heritage Month observances, Americans recognize the rich heritage of Italian immigrants and Americans of Italian descent and celebrate their vast contributions to our Nation; and

WHEREAS, it is the vision of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) to bring together diverse perspectives and backgrounds to promote the understanding, valuing, acceptance, and leveraging of diverse cultures, experiences, knowledge, lifestyles, and perspectives in order to enhance the delivery of products and services to the community; and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Office of Racial Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion to promote equality and inclusion so that employees may develop and contribute to their full potential, thereby advancing Valley Water's commitment to creating an inclusive work environment, which reflects and supports the diversity of the community and enriches our perspectives in accordance with Governance Policy 7.7.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District hereby recognizes October 2022 as Italian American Heritage Month. Acknowledgment of these observances at Valley Water will be coordinated through the Office of Racial Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clara Valley Water District by the following vote on September 27, 2022:

AYES: Directors

NOES: Directors

ABSENT: Directors

ABSTAIN: Directors

SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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JOHN L. VARELA  
Chair Pro Tem, Board of Directors

ATTEST: MAX OVERLAND

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Acting Clerk, Board of Directors

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