## City of El Paso de Robles

## PROCLAMATION

## Declaring June 17, 2023 "Juneteenth Day"

- WHEREAS, since 1865, the American celebration known as Juneteenth has historically been observed as the end of the Institution of Slavery in our Great Nation; and
- Whereas, Juneteenth embodies the indomitable human spirit of the past, the present, and all time; and
- WHEREAS, the celebration of Juneteenth gives us all the opportunity to rededicate ourselves to the true American spirit and to strive for a more perfect Union; and
- Whereas, we are citizens who wish to secure the Blessings of Freedom, Justice, and Equality for all in this great Country of ours; and
- Whereas, the collaboration of community-based organizations, faithbased organizations, local businesses, and local government demonstrates a shared commitment to being part of the solution and acknowledging the importance of strength through unity; and
- WHEREAS, Juneteenth will be celebrated on Saturday, June 17th at the Downtown City Park with festivities including soul food, singing, dance performances, speakers, history, and a whole host of fun.

Now, Therefore, Be it resolved that I, Steven W. Martin, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and speaking on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the third Saturday in June in the City of Paso Robles as "Juneteenth Day".

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on this 16th day of May 2023,
I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the
City of Paso Robles to be affixed.

Steven W. Martin, Mayor City of El Paso de Robles