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Proclamation

WHEREAS, West Valley Community Services (WVCS) is celebrating 51 years of dedicated service, making a lasting impact through programs that address food insecurity, housing stability, and essential safety net services for low-income households in Cupertino and the surrounding West Valley region; and

WHEREAS, In 1973, public health nurses Harriet Jackson, Julie Venkus, and Sue Borgstrom founded the Cupertino Roundup—precursor to WVCS—to create a central hub where community members could access food, information and assistance; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, the organization officially adopted West Valley Community Services to reflect its expanding mission better. Today, WVCS combats food insecurity through its on-site Food Market, addresses housing insecurity through Vista Village and Greenwood Court apartments, manages a Below Market Rate (BMR) housing program, connects clients to essential safety net services, and provides emergency financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, WVCS continues to expand its mobile operations, most recently opening the Moreland Market Depot to address food insecurity in surrounding areas, ensuring that more families have access to nutritious meals and essential resources, serving all Title 1 schools in West Valley region; and

WHEREAS, WVCS currently serves over 240 unhoused clients in the West Valley Cities and has successfully assisted hundreds of families in securing and maintaining affordable housing through its housing programs and advocacy efforts; and

WHEREAS, WVCS remains steadfast in its mission, dedicated to serving the community with dignity, compassion, and integrity for the next 50 years, ensuring that all individuals and families in the West Valley have the resources they need to thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED I, Mayor Liang Chao, and the Cupertino City Council, formally recognize and commend

West Valley Community Services

for its 51 years of service, celebrating its profound impact on the community and honoring its commitment to a future of continued support and advocacy for those in need.

The Honorable Liang Chao
Mayor, City of Cupertino