

Resolution #21-03-4

RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE "LITTLE ARABIA" AREA IN ANAHEIM

WHEREAS, the City of Anaheim has become home to a population of thousands of residents of Arab heritage who make up at least 1.5 percent of the total population who have made significant cultural and historic contributions to the City; and the area has become a haven of Arab American owned and operated businesses and the proposed "Little Arabia" area is one of the largest Arab business areas in the nation, and offers unique shopping experiences, diverse restaurants, and provides goods and services that continue to attract customers and tourists; and the proposed "Little Arabia" area has provided a safe and healthy environment for community gatherings, such as the Eid Festival, a celebration of many cultural events, and fundraising to support humanitarian relief causes; and

WHEREAS, there is widespread community support to name the area "Little Arabia" and the area already has a privately-funded "Little Arabia" community identifying sign installed in Brookhurst Plaza on Brookhurst Street and Orange Avenue; and

WHEREAS, formally designating the area as "Little Arabia" will honor the contributions of Arab American entrepreneurs to the City's economy and recognize how Arab American business owners have improved the area;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the Democratic Party of Orange County encourages Anaheim to identify and designate the "Little Arabia" area with appropriate signage and honor.

SUBMITTED BY:

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Adopted by the Democratic Party of Orange County Central Committee on March 22, 2021