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# Proclamation

Issued by the Mayor

## Recognizing Jackie Chan

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan was born in Hong Kong, on April 7, 1954 to Charles and Lee-Lee Chan and is the father to J.C. Chan; and

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan attended the Peking Chinese Opera Research Institute from 1961 until his graduation in 1971, during which time he was taught, by Master Yu Jim-Yuen, the traditional Chinese arts of performing, singing, acting, acrobatics, and martial arts; and

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan made his first onscreen appearance in 1962 in the Cantonese film *Big and Little Wong Tin Bar*, which opened the door for many more roles as a child actor, and first appeared as a lead actor in 1971 in *Master with the Cracked Fingers*; and

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan displayed an uncanny ability to captivate his audiences with his breath-taking stunts and with his genuinely comedic personality; and

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan's movies, such as *Drunken Master* in 1978, were unbelievably successful in Japan and in other countries as well; and

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan continued to produce blockbuster movies throughout the 1980's and 1990's, including *Police Story* in 1985 and *Drunken Master II* in 1994; and

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan returned to the United States to star in *Rumble in the Bronx* in 1996, in which he established himself as a major movie star in America, and went on to star in several other American films, such as *Rush Hour* in 1998; and

**W**HEREAS, Jackie Chan's dedication and devotion to his craft has allowed him to become one of the few international superstars of our era, and with the grace he so many times displays, has used his popularity to act as an ambassador of humanity and as a role model to the millions of young people he reaches out to every day.

**N**OW, THEREFORE, I, Jimmie R. Yee, Mayor of the City of Sacramento, do hereby commend Jackie Chan for his numerous accomplishments and for his commitment and dedication to our youth.

**ISSUED:** This 12<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2000.

**JIMMIE R. YEE**  
**MAYOR**