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***HBJ Oriental Store &  
Food to Go  
May 11, 2021***

- WHEREAS,** HBJ Oriental Store & Food to Go has been part of the Watsonville community for over 20 years; and
- WHEREAS,** HBJ Oriental Store is one of only a few Asian grocery stores in Santa Cruz County, and is a favorite of many locals; and
- WHEREAS,** owner Marcelino Bayuga is proud to provide Filipino cooking staples, as well as fresh produce such as long beans, okra, bitter melon, saluyot and calabasa; and
- WHEREAS,** HBJ Oriental Store is known throughout the County for serving authentic Filipino home cooked food; and
- WHEREAS,** dishes served include pork adobo, dinuguan, pancit, lumpia, chicken sisig and pinakbet; and
- WHEREAS,** customers describe the staff as courteous and friendly, and appreciate always being greeted upon entering the store; and
- WHEREAS,** the food counter offers special pricing for students, which many of the kids from the nearby high school appreciate.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Jimmy Dutra, Mayor of the City of Watsonville, in the State of California, on behalf of the City Council hereby recognize Marcelino Bayuga and the HBJ Oriental Store & Food to Go for providing this international cuisine to the city, with wishes for them to continue being a part of the community for many years to come.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Watsonville to be affixed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, Two thousand and twenty one.

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Jimmy Dutra, Mayor

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