

**PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF  
KIM'S CHINESE RESTAURANT  
OWNERS MARGARET, KIM & LARRY YEE  
FOR 45 YEARS IN THE CITY OF TROY**

**WHEREAS, Margaret, Kim and Larry Yee's grandfather** immigrated to the U.S. in the early 1900's, travelled the country and settled in Detroit learning the restaurant business. He opened the first family business in 1950 in Detroit and the family moved the restaurant to Troy at the corner of Long Lake and Livernois on December 31, 1974; and

**WHEREAS, Margaret** oversees the front of the restaurant, brother **Larry** runs the kitchen, and sister **Kim** takes care of the books. All of the Yee children had careers before they came back together to help their mother Yui Oi Yee run the restaurant, after their father's death; and

**WHEREAS,** The **Yee** family said their father and grandfather taught their family to appreciate the democracy in this country and to always give back, especially to the community that supports you; and

**WHEREAS,** For decades, the **Yee family's** community service has always been to support the local non-profit organizations and the Troy School District by donating gift certificates to each and every group asking to help their fundraisers; and

**WHEREAS, Kim's Restaurant** has also been a gathering place for community groups needing a location to meet over lunch or dinner. Over the years they hosted summer car shows and were always present at the annual Boys & Girls Club of Troy's *Taste of Troy* with generous samples of their delicious and authentic Chinese food. Many volunteer organizations count on **Kim's Restaurant, and the Yee Family** have always been there to help each and every nonprofit group and the TSD Schools. They considered it an honor to be able to support and to give back to the community which has supported them for so many years; and

**WHEREAS,** Hundreds of people have posted their memories on Kim's Facebook page with remembrances of Margaret's generosity which are legend. Margaret never once turned down a non-profit asking for a fundraiser donation. Even after they closed the doors of **Kim's Restaurant** on August 31, the **Yee Family** cooked up meals to feed over 650 homeless men, women, and children at the Baldwin Center in Pontiac on three days in September, providing the recipients with three very delicious meals;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Troy City Council extends special recognition to the wonderful **Yee Family and their hardworking staff at Kim's Chinese Restaurant** for their tireless service and dedication to our community;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Troy City Council and all of Troy's residents congratulate the **Yee Family and Kim's Chinese Restaurant for being in the City of Troy for 45 years** providing great food and community support and wish them continued success in all future endeavors as they enjoy their must deserved retirement.

**Presented this 7<sup>th</sup> Day of October 2019.**