

# PROCLAMATION

## *Ramadan 2026*

**WHEREAS,** Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar and is observed by Muslims worldwide as a sacred month of fasting, prayer, reflection, and community; and

**WHEREAS,** during Ramadan, Muslims abstain from food and drink from dawn to sunset, engage in increased acts of charity and service, and gather with family, friends, and neighbors to break their fast at sunset; and

**WHEREAS,** Ramadan commemorates the revelation of the Qur'an and serves as a time for spiritual growth, self-discipline, compassion, and renewed commitment to faith and moral values; and

**WHEREAS,** the observance of Ramadan concludes in the celebration of Eid al-Fitr, a joyful holiday marked by prayer, generosity, and fellowship; and

**WHEREAS,** the values emphasized during Ramadan, charity, service, gratitude, unity, and compassion, strengthen the social fabric of our entire community and reflect our shared commitment to mutual respect and understanding; and

**WHEREAS,** the Muslim community in Lodi enriches our us through its leadership in civic engagement, charitable work, business, education, healthcare, public service, and the arts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Ramon Yepez, Mayor of the City of Lodi, do hereby recognize the Holy Month of Ramadan, February 17 to March 19, 2026, recognize Masjid Ya Rasool-Allah and Lodi Muslim Mosque in Lodi, and encourage all residents to join in recognizing the significant spiritual and cultural contributions of our Muslim community to foster a spirit of unity and goodwill throughout this sacred time, and wish the residents of Lodi *Ramadan Mubarak*.

**SIGNED** on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.