

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California**

Resolution No. _____

Adopt a Resolution proclaiming)
September 15 to October 15,)
2021, as **Hispanic Heritage**)
Month in Monterey County.)

WHEREAS, the United States began observing Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968 under President Lyndon B. Johnson;

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month was expanded in 1988 under President Ronald Reagan;

WHEREAS, from September 15, 2021, to October 15, 2021, the United States celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month;

WHEREAS, September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of the independence of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, and September 16, 18, and 21 for Mexico, Chile, and Belize, respectively;

WHEREAS, Hispanics and Latinos/as are those whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America, and South America;

WHEREAS, Latinos/as represent 18.5% of the United States population and 39.4% of Californians;

WHEREAS, this year's theme is *Esperanza: A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage and Hope*, inviting us to celebrate Hispanic Heritage and to reflect on how great our tomorrow can be if we hold onto our resilience and hope;

WHEREAS, we encourage residents to reflect on the contributions of Hispanics and Latinos/as have made in the past, and will continue to make in the future;

WHEREAS, Hispanics and Latinos/as make up 59.4% of Monterey County residents and have contributed to the success of local agriculture, art, education, and politics;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey on behalf of all residents thereof, does hereby proclaim the period from September 15, 2021, to October 15, 2021, **Hispanic Heritage Month**, in Monterey County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors encourages all residents of Monterey County to celebrate the contributions of all our County residents and remind us that we are stronger together.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:
AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book _____ for the meeting on _____, 2021.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California.

By _____
Deputy