

Monterey County Board of Supervisors

Resolution

Resolution No.: 21-296

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 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

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 14th day of September 2021



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Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, Chair

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