

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 15, 2015
HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IN
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month is a time to recognize the significant contributions and achievements of Hispanic and Latino Americans who serve as leaders in business, government, the military, law, education, science, athletics, the arts, and other fields; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2010 U.S. Census, 50.5 million people or 16% of the population are of Hispanic or Latino origin. This represents a significant increase from 2000, which registered the Hispanic population at 35.3 million or 13% of the total U.S. population. In California, Latinos are now the largest ethnic group and are projected to be a full majority by mid-century; and

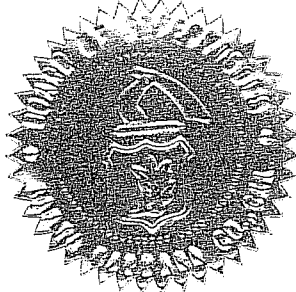
WHEREAS, in 1968 President Lyndon B. Johnson and Congress celebrated the contributions of Hispanic Americans by officially proclaiming the Week of September 15 as Hispanic Heritage Week. It was expanded under President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to its current month-long recognition; and

WHEREAS, the theme for 2015, "Honoring our Heritage. Building our Future" celebrates the significant contributions of Hispanic Americans to economic and community prosperity for all Americans. This includes commitments to education, economic innovation and development, social justice, and the military; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic and Latino Americans actively participate in our democratic institutions which include serving as elected representatives in the U.S. Congress, governors, judges, county supervisors, mayors, city council members, school board members and other essential public offices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares September 15-October 15, 2015 as Hispanic Heritage Month in Santa Barbara County and calls on all residents of our community to join in celebrations and activities that will occur.

PASSED and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 15th day of September, 2015 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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