



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, September 15 through October 15 is nationally recognized as National Hispanic Heritage Month, and the City of Tulare recognizes that Hispanic heritage is American heritage, and we see that influence in almost every aspect of our lives; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month by celebrating the histories, cultures, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors come from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean, and Central and South America; and

**WHEREAS**, September 15 is significant as a starting date for Hispanic Heritage month as it is the anniversary of independence for the Latin American countries of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence on September 16 and September 18 respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanics and Latinos are the largest ethnic group in the State of California; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to recognize that Hispanic men and women have worked hard to create opportunities, overcoming barriers of language, culture, and tradition, and play an integral role in the progress and productivity of our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the cultural, educational, and political influences of Hispanic residents in our communities can be seen and appreciated in all aspects of our life: from farm worker struggles for housing and equal wages, to incredible and gifted artists, to vibrant businesses, to music and community festivals.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, the City Council of the City of Tulare, do hereby proclaim September 15 through October 15, 2023, as

## Hispanic Heritage Month

in the City of Tulare and encourage residents to celebrate this year's National Hispanic Heritage Month's theme, "Prosperity, Power, and Progress," recognizing the significant achievements of the Hispanic community in the economic and political industries.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.



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