

Proclamation

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS | NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Hispanic Heritage Month – September 15 – October 15, 2025

WHEREAS, the Napa County Board of Supervisors proudly proclaims **September 15 to October 15, 2025 as Hispanic Heritage Month** in Napa County. We recognize the rich history, diverse cultures, and invaluable contributions of Hispanics whose heritage have roots in Spain, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America; and

WHEREAS, now, more than ever, it is crucial to honor and uplift **Hispanic Heritage Month**. In times of growing fear and division, many within Hispanic communities face daily challenges, including the fear of discrimination, violence, and marginalization. These fears, often rooted in the color of their skin or the language they speak, remind us that we must stand united in solidarity, providing support and recognition where it is needed most; and

WHEREAS, we respect the resilience and strength of our Hispanic communities. Despite centuries of adversity and discrimination, they have continuously led movements for justice, equality, and opportunity. These contributions have been vital to the growth and prosperity of Napa County, shaping both its economy and culture in ways that will echo for generations to come. The hard work, dedication, and leadership of Hispanic individuals have been fundamental in building the thriving community we call home; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for **Hispanic Heritage Month**, "Collective Heritage: Honoring the Past, Inspiring the Future," calls us to reflect on the sacrifices of those who paved the way for future generations. Their commitment to justice and equality has ignited change and continues to inspire resilience, unity, and hope for a brighter future. The Hispanic community's diversity enriches every aspect of society, and we honor the legacy of those whose contributions have positively impacted every sector, from education to business, arts to public service, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, today, and every day, we honor the countless sacrifices made by Hispanic individuals throughout history. We stand in solidarity with them in their ongoing pursuit of justice, dignity, and respect. Let us be inspired to confront the injustices still present in our world and commit ourselves to creating a society where every voice is heard, every individual is empowered, and all members of our community can truly thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that this Board of Supervisors, County of Napa, State of California, on this 23rd day of September 2025, does hereby recognize **September 15 to October 15, 2025 as Hispanic Heritage Month** in Napa County, and we call upon the people of Napa County to celebrate and honor the rich heritage, contributions, and spirit of unity that define our Hispanic communities. We encourage all to reflect on the progress made and commit to working toward a future of inclusion, equity, and shared prosperity for all.

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