



Legislation Text

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Title

Recognizing September 15, 2023, through October 15, 2023, as Hispanic Heritage Month

Body

WHEREAS, each year, the United States recognizes the economic, cultural and social contributions that Hispanic/Latinx peoples have brought to our nation; and

WHEREAS, the rich and distinctive culture of the Hispanic/Latinx community has always been an integral part of our country's identity; and

WHEREAS, this month represents the anniversary of independence for Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, México, and Nicaragua; and

WHEREAS, based on 2020 Census data, the Hispanic/Latinx population of the United States totals 62.1 million, which represents 19% of our population, and in 2021 the population grew to 62.5 million, making Hispanic/Latinx people the nation's largest ethnic or racial minority; and

WHEREAS, based on 2020 Census data, the Hispanic/Latinx population of Wisconsin was 447,290, almost 8% of the state's population and a growth of over 100,000 from 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic/Latinx population of Dane County totals almost 42,000, of which the City of Madison is home to 23,408, an increase of over 7,000 people since 2010; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic/Latinx people are a diverse racial group including those who identify as Afro-Latinx, Indigenous and multi-racial; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month is one of enormous pride for Hispanics/Latinx living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Madison is fortunate to count among its population a dynamic Hispanic/Latinx community that plays an important role in our city's economy and society; and

WHEREAS, we encourage all Madisonians to recognize and applaud the many contributions made by our Hispanic/Latinx community to enhance the quality of life in every aspect of our city;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council recognize the month of September 15, 2023, through October 15, 2023, as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Madison.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council congratulate our Hispanic/Latinx community on this significant month and thank them for their contributions to the vibrancy of the City of

Madison.

Sources:

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