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Legislation Text

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To recognize and celebrate September 15, ~~2021~~ **2022** to October 15, ~~2021~~, **2022** as Latine & Hispanic Heritage Month in Columbus

WHEREAS, from September 15 to October 15 each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month, a time to celebrate the achievements, histories, traditions and cultural diversity of Hispanic/Latino/Latinx Americans whose heritage is rooted in over 20 Latin American countries and territories; and

WHEREAS, Latine is a completely gender neutral term in Spanish, and Hispanic Heritage Month was first recognized by President Lyndon Johnson as Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968 and later expanded to a month-long celebration in 1988 by President Ronald Reagan; and

WHEREAS, the national theme of Hispanic Heritage Month in 2022 is “Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation,” which reinforces the need to ensure diverse voices and perspectives are welcomed in decision-making processes, thereby helping to build stronger communities and a stronger Nation; and

WHEREAS, an annual “Festival Latino” has been hosted in the City of Columbus since 1996 to celebrate Latine & Hispanic music, food, fashion, art, dance, and culture during the largest free Latine & Hispanic festival in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus benefits from the diversity of its residents, and Latine & Hispanic Americans continue to contribute to the cultural and economic vibrancy of its communities; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate September 15, 2022, to October 15, 2022, as Latine and Hispanic Heritage Month in Columbus.