

PROCLAMATION

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners recognizes the contributions and accomplishments of Hispanic Americans, Marion County is proud to join in the national celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans have made significant contributions to the United States, enriching our nation, state, region, and local community through their diverse skillsets and vibrant cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans have brought a unique perspective and a wealth of knowledge that has shaped our society in countless ways; and

WHEREAS, this year's national Hispanic Heritage Month theme is "Pioneers of Change: Shaping the Future Together", which showcases the role the Hispanic community will play in shaping the next generation; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month is an opportunity to shine a spotlight on the unique voices and experiences of Hispanic Americans and recognize their history, journeys, and achievements, and through these celebrations, we can all help to inspire younger generations and bring communities together;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in us do hereby proclaim that **September 15th-October 15th, 2024** be known as

"Hispanic Heritage Month"

in Marion County, Florida, and urge all citizens to join in recognizing the significant contributions Hispanic Americans make and to extend greetings and best wishes to all observing Hispanic Heritage Month.

DULY PROCLAIMED this 4th day of September 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

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