IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 15, 2022

WHEREAS,

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE THE CULTURE, AND HERITAGE OF HISPANIC AMERICAN PEOPLE WHOSE ANCESTORS CAME FROM SPAIN, MEXICO, THE CARIBBEAN, CENTRAL AMERICA AND SOUTH AMERICA. THIS RECOGNITION BEGAN IN 1968 WHEN PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON ISSUED A PROCLAMATION ANNUALLY DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15TH AS NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE WEEK. PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN EXPANDED THE HONOR, PROCLAIMING THE FIRST HISPANIC MONTH IN 1988; AND

WHEREAS,

THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY A NATIONAL PUBLICATION AS THE "CITY OF THE FUTURE" EXEMPLIFYING THE POPULATION DIVERSITY OF THE TYPICAL AMERICAN CITY IN THE 21ST CENTURY AND CULMINATING IN THE CITY'S DESIGNATION AS AN ALL-AMERICAN CITY IN 2007, IN PART, FOR ITS RICH CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND DIVERSITY RELATED INITIATIVES FOCUSING ON COMMUNITY INCLUSIVENESS; AND

WHEREAS.

IN 2020, THE U.S. CENSUS STATES THAT OVER 60,000 OR 40% OF HISPANIC-AMERICANS CALL THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD THEIR HOMETOWN, WITH MANY HISPANIC AMERICANS OWNING NUMEROUS LOCAL BUSINESSES, NOTED CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, CULTURAL FESTIVALS, AS WELL AS WORKING IN THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST AS EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD; AND

WHEREAS,

HISPANIC AMERICANS HAVE HAD A PROFOUND AND POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON OUR COUNTRY THROUGH THEIR STRONG COMMITMENT TO FAMILY, FAITH, HARD WORK AND COMMUNITY SERVICE. THEY HAVE ENRICHED AND SHAPED OUR NATIONAL CHARACTER WITH CENTURIES-OLD TRADITIONS THAT REFLECT THE MULTI-ETHNIC AND MULTICULTURAL CUSTOMS OF THEIR PROUD HISTORY; AND

WHEREAS,

NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH RECOGNIZES THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY RESIDENTS OF HISPANIC DESCENT TO ALL ASPECTS OF AMERICAN LIFE, INCLUDING LEADERSHIP IN PUBLIC SERVICE, BUSINESS, THE ARTS, EDUCATION AND CIVIL RIGHTS; AND

WHEREAS.

THE 2022 HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH THEME FOR 2022 IS "UNIDOS: INCLUSIVITY FOR A STRONGER NATION." THE THEME ENCOURAGES US TO ENSUE THAT ALL VOICES ARE REPRESENTED AND WELCOMED TO HELP BUILD STRONGER COMMUNITIES AND A STRONGER NATION; AND

WHEREAS,

DURING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH AND THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, IT IS IMPERATIVE TO EMBRACE OUR DIVERSE HISTORY SO THAT ALL CHILDREN CAN SEE THEMSELVES IN OUR NATION'S PAST AND KNOW THAT THEY HAVE A CRUCIAL ROLE TO PLAY IN ITS FUTURE; NOW

THEREFORE,

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2022 AS:

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

SIGNED THIS 12TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2022, AT HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

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MAYOR JOSH LEVY
VICE MAYOR CARYL SHUHAM
COMMISSIONER LINDA HILL ANDERSON
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI
COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER
COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN
COMMISSIONER LINDA SHERWOOD