

City of San Rafael
In Recognition of
HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH 2021

WHEREAS, as a community we recognize the contributions offered by a rich community tapestry of all ages, gender, race, orientation, religious traditions, etc.; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month annually from September 15 to October 15 by honoring the histories, traditions, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Latin America and Spain; and

WHEREAS, Marin County and San Rafael today embrace a growing and vibrant multicultural Latino community, with roots in Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Spain, with many Spanish names still gracing our City, including San Rafael, Terra Linda, Las Gallinas, Santa Venetia, and San Pedro; and

WHEREAS, over thirty percent of the population of San Rafael is of Hispanic, Latino & Indigenous descent, and these residents contribute to the economic, cultural and historic fabric of our City; and

WHEREAS, over twenty percent of City of San Rafael employees have Hispanic heritage and they contribute to the strength and diversity of the overall city workforce; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Rafael is proud to recognize its Hispanic/Latino leadership, including the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Marin, Canal Alliance, Latino Council, Voces del Canal, the Multicultural Center of Marin, and others; and

WHEREAS, it is important to increase Hispanic cultural awareness and diversity by paying tribute to the valuable contributions made by Hispanic Americans to our business, cultural, and educational communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kate Colin, Mayor of San Rafael, do hereby proclaim September 15 through October 15, 2021 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of San Rafael and urge its residents to join in observing and recognizing the accomplishments of Hispanic Americans.



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Kate Colin
Mayor