

- WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month is the time to honor the contributions Hispanics/Latinos have made to our state and highlight the rich diversity that keeps our communities strong; and
- WHEREAS, throughout our nation's history, millions of immigrants have traveled to America in search of freedom, justice, and opportunity; and
- WHEREAS, leaving the familiarity of their homeland, immigrants have relied on the spirit and character of their heritage to succeed in a new country; and
- WHEREAS, from food and fashion to music and art, Hispanics/Latinos have had a positive influence on the lifestyle of all Americans; and
- WHEREAS, Hispanics/Latinos represent many countries and cultures, each adding their own distinct and dynamic perspective to our state's story; and
- WHEREAS, Hispanics/Latinos have served as leaders in many fields, including our military, education, science, technology, business, industry, politics, athletics, and entertainment; and
- WHEREAS, Hispanics/Latinos inspire others through their courageous, relentless, and essential labor, sacrifice, and talent; and
- WHEREAS, Hispanics/Latinos represent one of the fastest-growing ethnic groups in the Palmetto State, enriching our communities through their commitment to faith, work, and family.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry Dargan McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 15-October 15, 2024, as

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the many contributions made by Hispanic Americans in the Palmetto State and across the nation and to honor their unique heritage.



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