

Resolution

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION NUMBER 18-19-02

Honoring and Recognizing

NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

September 15 to October 15

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Board of Education takes great pride in joining citizens throughout the country in recognizing September 15, 2018 as the start of **National Hispanic Heritage Month** and honoring the historical and present contributions of Hispanic Americans; and

WHEREAS, with roots dating back to 1968, **National Hispanic Heritage Month** begins each year on September 15, the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico, Chile and Belize also celebrate their independence days during this period; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 theme for **National Hispanic Heritage Month**, "*Hispanics: One Endless Voice to Enhance Our Traditions*," celebrates Hispanic and Latino American culture, its lasting heritage, and the important contributions made to the United States; and

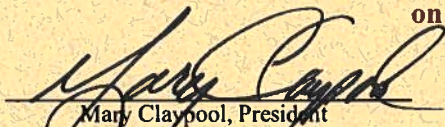
WHEREAS, Monterey County's Hispanic student population continues to grow considerably with over 61,500 Hispanic pupils enrolled in K-12 public schools, representing for 79% of the student population; and

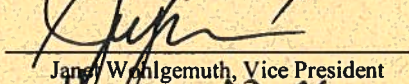
WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans have made profound contributions and continue to make advances in our community, state, and the world, including education, medicine, art, culture, public service, economics and development, human rights, and politics; and

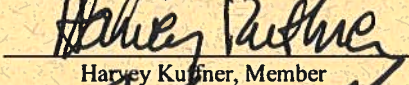
WHEREAS, the Monterey County Board of Education recognizes the positive influences Hispanics have on our country and in our community through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service, and commends the many local community organizations that support their progress, enrich their culture, and celebrate the multiethnic and multicultural customs of the Hispanic communities:

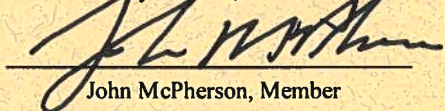
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Education adopts Resolution Number 18-19-02 to encourage the celebration of **National Hispanic Heritage Month** in schools and school districts throughout Monterey County with activities appropriate to the occasion, and to value the roles and contributions of Hispanics to the local and national economies, culture, and identity.

Passed and Adopted
on the Fifteenth Day of August, 2018


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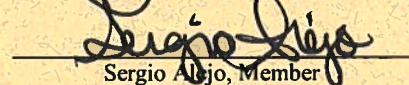

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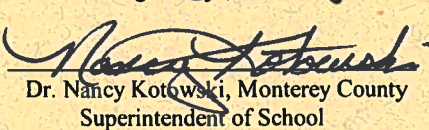

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