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CELEBRATING NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month is a celebration of Hispanic pride and culture, recognizing the achievements of Hispanic individuals who through their hard work and sacrifice have distinguished themselves throughout their careers and public service; and

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month, created by Public Law 90-498, approved September 17, 1968 by the 90th Congress and later amended in 1988 by the 100th Congress, authorizes the designation of National Hispanic Heritage Month as the 31-day period beginning September 15 and ending on October 15; and

WHEREAS, September 15th was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries; Cost Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18th respectively; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic American population has grown by 1.2 percent in Cook County, making it the fourth-highest county in the nation with a Hispanic population; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics have had a profound and positive influence in Cook County through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service. They have enhanced and shaped our national character with centuries-old traditions that reflect the multiethnic and multicultural customs of their community; and

WHEREAS, Cook County's Hispanic population has made numerous cultural and economic contributions to the growth and development of our county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Members of the Board of Commissions, on behalf of the more than 1,285,944 million residents of Cook County, do hereby recognize Monday, September 15, 2014 as the start of "National Hispanic Heritage Month," in recognition of the contributions that the Hispanic American community has made throughout the County of Cook, and urge all Cook County residents to join in this celebration of their culture and heritage.

Sponsors: President, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, EDWIN REYES

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