



# PROCLAMATION

## HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

***WHEREAS**, the City of Imperial Beach encourages and promotes strong and inclusive communities that recognize and celebrate efforts to bring people together for a greater good; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City of Imperial Beach commemorates the strong and visible roots of Hispanic heritage in the national, regional and local landscape of our nation; and*

***WHEREAS**, beginning nearly 480 years ago, the recorded Hispanic Heritage has been a part of the DNA of American culture with undeniable influence in education, public safety, infrastructure, economic development, culinary arts and governance; and*

***WHEREAS**, in the words of Cesar Chavez “Preservation of one’s own culture does not require contempt or disrespect for other cultures” and therefore celebrate the contributions of the robust Hispanic Heritage; to include Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Puerto Rico, Paraguay, Peru, Spain, Uruguay, Venezuela; and*

***WHEREAS**, the City of Imperial Beach is proud of the Mexican heritage that includes Indian and Spanish blood and most proud of all the humanity, and centuries of hope and sacrifice, called Mexican-American, Chicano, Latino, Spanish, Tejano, Latin-x or Hispanic.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Serge Dedina, Mayor of the City of Imperial Beach, California, together with the City Council, proclaim that on this day, September 21, 2022, we recognize Thursday, September 15, 2022 through Saturday, October 15, 2022 as National Hispanic Heritage Month.*

*Dated: September 21, 2022*

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*Serge Dedina, Mayor*