City of Annapolis



Proclamation

The City of Annapolis recognizes the contributions of Hispanic Americans and to celebrate Hispanic heritage and

culture, and WHEREAS Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations were started in 1968 under President Lyndon B. Johnson, who issued a Presidential proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe a week in September with ceremonies, programming and activities; and WHEREAS Public officials, educators, librarians and community members observe the month by celebrating the cultural traditions of people whose ancestry can be traced to Spain, Mexico, Central America, South America and the Caribbean Islands; and WHEREAS the City of Annapolis recognizes the vital contributions of Hispanic and Latino residents of the City of Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, and Maryland in our economy and workforce; and WHEREAS the City of Annapolis recognizes that Hispanic and Latino residents play an important role socially, culturally and in our faith communities; and

WHEREAS we see the systemic inequities facing Hispanic and Latino peoples who live in our community and recognize the importance of moving the City of Annapolis toward a more just future for all residents; and

WHEREAS September marks a significant anniversary in the independence of Latin American countries including: Mexico, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Bolivia, Brazil, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Chile, and many others!

NOW Be it resolved that the City of Annapolis urges all residents to observe and celebrate the significant contributions of Hispanic and Latino people between September 15 and October 15.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN BUCKLEY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND DO HEREBY PROCLAIM

September 15 to October 15, 2024 as **Hispanic Heritage Month**

IN THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS



WHEREAS

Gavin Buckley, Mayor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Annapolis to be affixed this 23rd Day of September in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty four.