



## Proclamation Recognizing National Hispanic and Latino Heritage Month

**WHEREAS,** Hispanic and Latino Americans make up 18.5% of the nation’s population, making them the largest ethnic minority, and enriching every community through their vibrant and diverse cultures and heritage; and

**WHEREAS,** Hispanic and Latino Americans enrich every community they are a part of through their vibrant and diverse cultures; and

**WHEREAS,** Hispanic and Latino community members make significant contributions through their leadership in government, protecting freedoms as part of the military, helping feed our community through agriculture, inspiring children as educators, helping heal our community as healthcare professionals, and advancing society through science and technology; and

**WHEREAS,** Hispanic and Latino-owned businesses contribute to Albemarle County’s economic growth and job creation; and

**WHEREAS,** the stories of Hispanic and Latino community members are woven into the fabric of our community and Hispanic and Latino history is our collective history.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED,** that we, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, do hereby recognize September 15 – October 15 as the 55<sup>th</sup> National Hispanic and Latino Heritage Month and recommit to building an equitable and inclusive society that works for all members of our community.

Signed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023

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Donna Price, Chair  
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors