Office of the MAYOR City of Angleton, Texas Proclamation

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month has been traditionally celebrated nationwide every year since 1968 to honor the culture and contribution of both Hispanic and Latino Americans and to share their history, heritage, and accomplishments;

WHEREAS, President Lyndon B. Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation on September 17, 1968 declaring the first Hispanic Heritage Week and to have more time to properly observe and coordinate celebratory events and activities President Ronald Reagan passed a law on August 17, 1988 to extend Hispanic Heritage Week to Hispanic Heritage Month and President George H.W. Bush became the first president to declare September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month;

WHEREAS, September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua with September 16 being the anniversary of independence for Mexico, September 18 for Chile, and September 21 for Belize;

WHEREAS, the contributions made by Hispanic Americans enrich our community with cultural, educational, and political influence because of their service as doctors, entrepreneurs, educators, public servants, leaders, colleagues, and friends;

WHEREAS, their values for service to others, respect for life and the environment, celebrating proud communities, and prioritizing family and faith has shaped our community's character beyond measure:

WHEREAS, City of Angleton encourages all residents to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs that celebrate Hispanic heritage, recognize the impact Hispanic heritage has made to society, and reaffirm that diversity is one of our community's greatest strengths.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, **I**, **John Wright**, **Mayor of the City of Angleton**, **Texas**, along with the City of Angleton City Council, do hereby proclaim that September 15 through October 15 is recognized as:

"Hispanic Heritage Month"

PROCLAIMED this 12th day of September, 2023.

John Wright	
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Mayor	

CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS