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## TOWN OF ABEX CAROLINA

Proclamation

## National Hispanic Heritage Month 2024 from the Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated each year from September 15<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup> to recognize the histories, cultures, and contributions of Americans with ancestors from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America; and,

WHEREAS, Since 1968, the U.S. has celebrated a week of National observance for Hispanic Heritage, which was expanded to a month of celebrations in 1988, and,

WHEREAS, The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively; and,

WHEREAS, The Town is honored to continue collaborating with Fiesta Cristiana and El Centro as we strive to advance equity and improve the well-being of Hispanic and Latino individuals and families here in Apex.

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex is thrilled to present a variety of programs and events in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. Join us for "Pepito and the Trash Cans" at the Halle Cultural Arts Center on September 15 at 3 p.m., enjoy engaging movie screenings, and don't miss the Apex Latino Arts Festival on Saturday, September 28, at 3 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of Apex, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the Month of September 15<sup>th</sup> – October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, "National Hispanic Heritage Month" in the Town of Apex, and encourage residents to immerse themselves in the cultural opportunities provided throughout this month.

> I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Apex, North Carolina, to be affixed this the 10th day of September 2024

Jacques Gilbert, Mayor