



"The Peak of Good Living"

TOWN OF APEX NORTH CAROLINA

Proclamation

Hispanic Heritage Month 2026

from the Office of the Mayor

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

WHEREAS, September 15th marks the beginning of the observance as 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 16th and September 18th, respectively; and,

WHEREAS, More than 6% of Apex's population is Hispanic, and those individuals strengthen the Town as successful business owners, artists, scientists, teachers, civic and faith leaders, and so much more; and,

WHEREAS, Hispanic culture is beautiful and vibrant, and we are fortunate as a Town to have incredible residents that are willing to share that culture with everyone; and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex is proud to host a bilingual story event, Spider Stories - Historias de Arañas, on September 16th at Hunter Street Park, as well as the Latino Arts Festival on September 26th here at Town Hall, to further share and celebrate Hispanic heritage and culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of Apex, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 15th - October 15th, 2026 "Hispanic Heritage Month" in the Town of Apex, and extend my gratitude to the Hispanic community in Apex for their passion for the success and growth of our Town and its residents.