



# CITY OF DEL REY OAKS

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## PROCLAMATION

### The City of Del Rey Oaks City Council Hereby Honoring National Hispanic Heritage Month

**WHEREAS**, Since our founding, our Nation has drawn strength from the diversity of our people; and

**WHEREAS**, With faith and passion, a sturdy work ethic and profound devotion to family, Hispanics have helped carry forward our legacy as a vibrant beacon of opportunity for all; and

**WHEREAS**, Whether their ancestors have been here for generations or they are among the newest members of our American family, they represent many countries and cultures, each adding their own distinct and dynamic perspective to our country's story; and

**WHEREAS**, National Hispanic Heritage Month (NHHM) pays tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America, and who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1968, President Lyndon Johnson implemented the observance of Hispanic Heritage Week; and

**WHEREAS**, This observation was expanded to its current 30 day period from September 15 to Oct 15 and enacted into public law under President Ronald Reagan on 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, September 15 was chosen as the starting point for the commemoration because it is the anniversary of independence of five Hispanic countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, who all declared independence in 1821. In addition, Mexico, Chile and Belize celebrate their independence days on September 16, September 18, and September 21 respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic Americans continue to enrich our community with cultural, educational and political influences that can be seen in all aspects of our life; and

**WHEREAS**, National Hispanic Heritage Month is an important reminder of how much strength we draw as a Nation from our immigrant roots and our values as a Nation of immigrants; and

**NOW, THEREFORE** I, Alison Kerr, Mayor of the City of Del Rey Oaks, do hereby proclaim September 15-October 15, 2022 as National Hispanic Month in the City of Del Rey Oaks and I urge all citizens to embrace the diversity that strengthens us and continue striving to ensure the American dream is within reach for generations of Hispanics to come.

Signed this 27th day of September, 2022

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Alison Kerr, Mayor