



City of Rochelle, Illinois
Office of the Mayor
Proclamation

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH
September 15 – October 15, 2024

WHEREAS, the City of Rochelle proudly recognizes the rich cultural heritage and contributions of the Hispanic and Latino communities, whose vibrant traditions and histories have shaped our city and the nation as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates the histories, cultures, and contributions of Americans whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America, and South America, enriching our society with their creativity, hard work, and dedication to community values; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochelle is fortunate to be home to a growing and diverse Hispanic community whose members play an essential role in the economic, cultural, and civic vitality of our city, contributing to industries such as education, business, healthcare, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, this month-long observance provides an opportunity for all residents to learn more about the Hispanic heritage, celebrate the unique contributions of Hispanic Americans, and reaffirm our city's commitment to embracing diversity and promoting inclusivity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochelle encourages all citizens to participate in activities and events that honor the spirit of Hispanic Heritage Month and foster mutual understanding and respect among people of all backgrounds.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bearrows, Mayor of the City of Rochelle, do hereby proclaim September 15 to October 15, 2024, as **Hispanic Heritage Month** in the City of Rochelle and urge all citizens to join in celebrating the invaluable contributions of the Hispanic community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Rochelle to be affixed this 23rd of September 2024.

John Bearrows, Mayor

Attest: _____
RoseMary Huéramo, City Clerk

