

WHEREAS, the rich cultures, histories and contributions of both Hispanic and Latino Americans are recognized and celebrated annually from September 15 to October 15; and

WHEREAS, observation began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was then enacted into law as a month-long commemoration by President Ronald Reagan in 1988; and

WHEREAS, the 30-day period celebrates significant dates in the Hispanic community including Día de la Raza, the anniversary of independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua and independence days for Mexico, Chile and Belize; and

WHEREAS, this month-long recognition spotlights the unique voices and experiences of Hispanic Americans and helps the community better understand their journeys and achievements throughout history; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Schaumburg, with a mission focused on "empower[ing] our diverse community," recognizes that Hispanic Americans' contributions should not go unnoticed or without celebration; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, Supervisor Heneghan and Township of Schaumburg Trustees, on this 27th day of September, do hereby proclaim September 15–October 15, 2023 as **HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH** in the Township of Schaumburg.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Township of Schaumburg to be affixed this 27th day of September 2023.