

TOWN OF FAIRMOUNT HEIGHTS

Resolution Number: FHR 09-2020

Introduced by: Councilmember Patricia M. Waiters

Co-Sponsored by: Councilmember Jacqueline Wood-Dodson

Date of Introduction: October 21, 2020

Recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the heritage and culture of Latinos in the Town of Fairmount Heights and the immense contributions of Latinos to our community.

To recognize Hispanic Heritage Month by honoring the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America, and Spain.

Whereas, National Hispanic American Heritage month is celebrated September 15 to October 15. We pay tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation, society, and community; and

Whereas, Hispanic heritage was first observed in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon B. Johnson;

Whereas, Hispanic Heritage Week was expanded to a month by President Ronald Reagan on August 17, 1988;

Whereas, September 15th is significant because it is the anniversary of the independence of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua;

Whereas, September 16th and September 18th are significant because Mexico and Chile celebrate Independence Day, respectively;

Whereas, Hispanic Heritage Month extends to October because October 12th is Día de la Raza;

Whereas, Many Hispanic Americans are the decedents of the Arawaks (Puerto Rico), the Aztecs (Mexico), the Incas (South America), the Maya (Central America), and the Tainos (Cuba, Puerto Rico and other places), Africa and Spain;

Whereas, the Latino population in the United States is projected to grow to 107,000,000 people by 2065, at which point the Latino population will comprise of more than 24 percent of the total population of the United States;

Whereas, in the Town of Fairmount Heights, the community has become diverse to include Latino citizenry population and continues to contribute to the revitalization of the Town; and

Whereas Hispanic Americans harbor a deep commitment to family and community, an enduring work ethic, and a perseverance to succeed and contribute to society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by The Mayor and Council of The Town of Fairmount Heights, that this resolution may be cited as the "Hispanic Heritage Month Recognition Resolution of 2020". The Mayor and Council of the Fairmount Heights recognizes the exceptional contribution of Hispanic residents during Hispanic Heritage Month. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Fairmount Heights:


(1) recognizes the annual (yearly) celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15, through October 15;

(2) esteems the integral role of Latinos and the manifold heritages of Latinos in the economy, culture, and identity of our community; and


(3) urges the people of the Town of Fairmount Heights to observe Hispanic Heritage Month with appropriate programs and activities that celebrate the contributions of Latinos to the community.

Adopted this 21th day of October, 2020.

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MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL



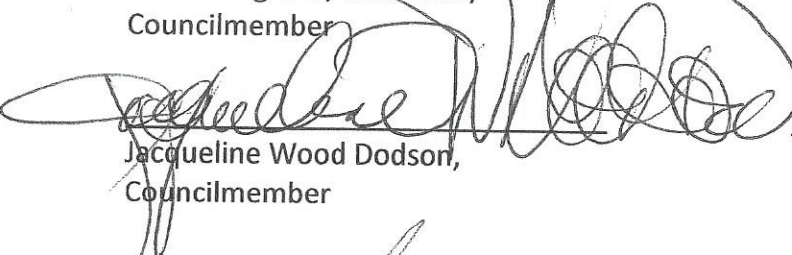
Lillie Thompson Martin, Mayor



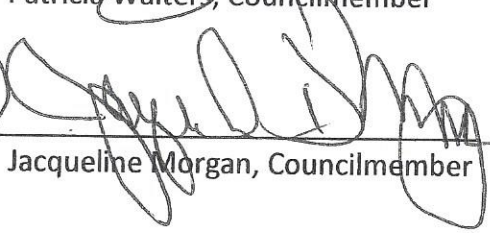
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Councilmember




Patricia Waiters, Councilmember



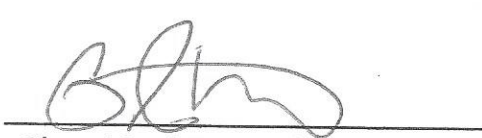
Jacqueline Wood Dodson,
Councilmember



Jacqueline Morgan, Councilmember




Patricia Ukkundo'Oohwaka,
Councilmember



Glenn Morris, Councilmember

Attested by:



JoAnn Tucker, Town Clerk

October 22, 2020

Date