

Celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month! Coconino County Proclamation



Whereas, in 1968 the United States Congress passed a resolution to celebrate Hispanic heritage at the national level and in 1988, the President of the United States formalized an annual month of Hispanic heritage recognition from September 15 to October 15 of each year; and

Whereas, National Hispanic Heritage Month is observed to celebrate the histories, cultures and contributions of individuals whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Latin America, Central America and South America; and

Whereas, Hispanics and Latinos are some of the earliest residents of the southwestern United States and Hispanics in Coconino County were amongst the first pioneers in Flagstaff and Coconino County and have had a lasting impact on the history of our County; and

Whereas, Hispanic and Latino centuries-old traditions enhance and shape our national character while reflecting the multiethnic and multicultural customs of our communities; and

Whereas, Coconino County's strength is the diversity of our residents; and in celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month, we honor the contributions Hispanics have made to our nation, our state and our county; and

Whereas, the County and Coconino County Board of Supervisors highly regard cultural diversity, as reflected in the beauty and variety of Coconino County's landscape, as well as the shared traditions of the many cultures that thrive within Coconino County; and

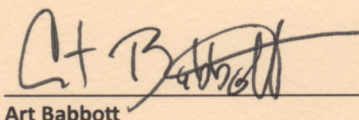
Whereas, Coconino County also recognizes the service of the Coconino County Hispanic Advisory Council - a group of thoughtful and dedicated community leaders providing a most important perspective to our county government and amplifying the voice and participation in local government; and

Whereas, Hispanic Heritage Month is a time to reflect on countless ways in which Hispanics have contributed to our county's success and is a time to reaffirm our commitment to diversity, inclusiveness and opportunities for all;

Now therefore, be it resolved that in the spirit of celebrating and honoring the positive contributions of Hispanic and Latino heritage to our county, our nation and our society, *we do hereby recognize September 15 through October 15, 2017 as National Hispanic Heritage Month* and call upon all residents to reflect on and embrace the diversity that strengthens us.

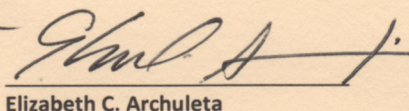
Signed and sealed on this twelfth day of September 2017

COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:



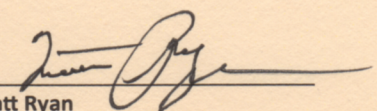
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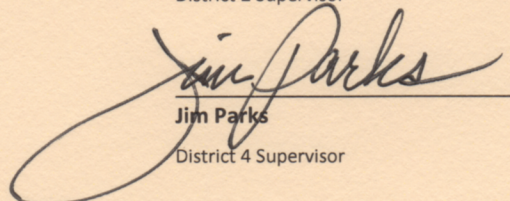
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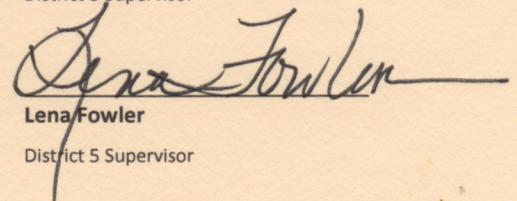
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