

Proclamation

“Hispanic Heritage Month”

September 15 ~ October 15, 2022

Whereas, each year, the United States observes National Hispanic Heritage Month by celebrating the culture, heritage, and countless contributions of those whose ancestors were indigenous to North America as well as those who came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America and South America; and

Whereas, the population of Adams County is approximately 41.8% Hispanic or Latino based on the most recent census estimates; and

Whereas, what began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Johnson and was expanded by President Reagan in 1988, to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15; and

Whereas, this year’s theme, “Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation,” invites us to celebrate Hispanic Heritage and to reflect on how great our tomorrow can be if we hold onto our resilience and hope. It encourages us to reflect on all the contributions Hispanics have made in the past, and will continue to make in the future; and

Whereas, many Hispanics serve as government employees/public servants, civil rights leaders and community organizers, politicians, soldiers, educators, journalists, first responders, pioneers in art and science, healthcare professionals, athletes, inventors, entertainers and so much more; and

Whereas, Adams County’s employee-led A-Proud affinity group, LatinX Professionals, provides a safe, supportive, and professional space for LatinX professionals, where topics can be safely and confidentially discussed that directly impact them; and

Whereas, Hispanics continue their rich history of significant and diverse contributions to the cultural, educational, economic and political vitality of Adams County.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners, of the County of Adams, State of Colorado, proclaims September 15th – October 15th, 2022 as

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and encourages all residents to honor the rich diversity of the Hispanic community and celebrate the many ways they contribute to our nation and society.

In Witness whereof, we have set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be affixed September 13, 2022.