

Proclamation

CITY OF RACINE, WISCONSIN

Whereas: Hispanic Heritage Month, known as “Mes de Herencia Hispana,” was first observed in 1968 under President Johnson as Hispanic Heritage Week, and expanded in 1988 by President Reagan to a month-long observance and celebration; and

Whereas: September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for the Latin American countries of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua; Mexico celebrates independence day on September 16, and Chile celebrates independence day on September 17; and

Whereas: this year’s theme of Hispanic Heritage Month is, “Latinos: Driving Prosperity, Power and Progress in America” bringing attention to the significant strides of Hispanics in the social, political, and economic growth in our city, state, and country; and

Whereas: Hispanic and Latinx Racinians represent an array of distinct and vibrant cultures, and we honor their important contributions to the cultural fabric of our city throughout the entire year, but especially during this month; and

Whereas: Hispanics of all generations as well as recent immigrants continue to have a profound impact on our community through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cory Mason, Mayor of the City of Racine, do hereby proclaim September 15 through October 15, 2023, as:

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

and call upon all residents of our city to join in supporting this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Racine to be affixed.

**Accomplished at the City Hall
this 5th day of September, 2023.**

Mayor