  
**State of Iowa**  
**Executive Department**

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

**PROCLAMATION**

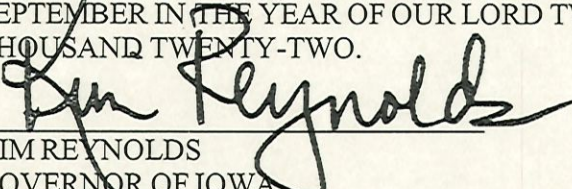
- WHEREAS,** Latino Heritage Month is celebrated nationally from September 15 - October 15 as an opportunity to celebrate and uplift the culture, traditions, and people living in the United States whose ancestry can be traced to the Caribbean Islands, Central America, Mexico, South America, and Latin America; and
- WHEREAS,** in recognition that Latinos descended from indigenous people whose advanced civilizations developed and thrived thousands of years before European colonization and African slavery in Latin America over five centuries; and
- WHEREAS,** Latinos continue to enrich Iowa communities since the late 1800's with the cultural, educational, and political influences of their culture in the Midwest that can be seen and appreciated in all aspects of our life, from incredible and gifted artists, essential workers, students, professionals, vibrant businesses, music and communities; and
- WHEREAS,** as part of the celebration, the Iowa Commission of Latino Affairs honors the outstanding and significant cultural, political, social, and economic contributions to Iowa by Latinos through the Iowa Latino Hall of Fame; and
- WHEREAS,** the 2022 Iowa Latino Hall of Fame honorees, Edith Cabrera-Tello, EdD, Joe Gonzalez, Emilia Marroquin, Alexia Sanchez, Marlu Carolina Abarca, and R. Samuel Braden, symbolize the strength, cultural, educational, and political influences of Iowa Latinos and allies, demonstrating outstanding achievements and play a vital role in the nation and Iowa's economy and growth;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim September 15-October 15, 2022 as:

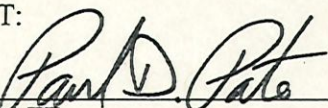
**Latino Heritage Month**



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS FIFTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-TWO.

  
KIM REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

  
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PAUL PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE