

Proclamation No. 25-1534

Honoring the Organizations in Denver that contribute to the Advocacy and Empowerment of the Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a Community

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month, observed each year from September 15 through October 15, provides an opportunity to honor the histories, cultures, and contributions of Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a communities in Denver, in Colorado, and across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Denver City Council recognizes and uplifts the many community partners, advocates, and activists, who have played essential roles in advancing representation, equity and justice, especially empowering voices that have historically been excluded; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a collective histories and individual stories are the foundation of our present, and that must not be forgotten, but rather preserved, taught, studied, shared, and carried with us, allowing it to bring intention to our actions and guiding our way; and

WHEREAS, we stand on the shoulders of our ancestors, whose resistance, advocacy, activism, collaboration, and commitment to community continue to inspire and shape the work of countless individuals and organizations today; and

WHEREAS, advocacy organizations have built bridges to connect communities with policymakers, elected officials, educators, service providers, and other key partners, while also ensuring longer tables are built for everyone, including spaces for Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a voices to be a part of the decision-making processes that shape our collective future; and

WHEREAS, this month, and every month, we remember that all the struggles of those who have been historically excluded, underrepresented, and overlooked– beyond Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a communities– are interconnected; and

WHEREAS, the Denver City Council recognizes that our collective power is rooted in community, our strength lies in solidarity, and true justice and liberation for all can only be achieved through unity.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE DENVER CITY COUNCIL:

Section 1. That the Denver City Council recognizes September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a month by celebrating, acknowledging and uplifting the advocacy work done by community partners, and reaffirm our commitment to equity, and the ongoing work of building a city where all people can thrive.

Section 2. That the Clerk and Recorder of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that a copy be transmitted to COLOR Latina, Colorado Latino Leadership, Advocacy & Research Organization (CLLARO), Servicios De La Raza, Movimiento Poder, Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition (CIRC), CIRC Action Fund, Denver Healing Generations, Tepeyac Community Health Center, Juntos Community, Convivir Colorado, Cultivando, GreenLatinos, Mi Familia Vota, El Centro De Los Trabajadores, MSU Denver Chicana/o Studies, Colorado Changemakers Collective, Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network (RMIAN), American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), and other community partners that work with and for the Hispanic, Chicano/a and Latino/a/x communities.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL October 14, 2025

signed by: Imandu P. Sanderal

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PRESIDENT