

## Proclamation No. 25-1361 Honoring the Hispanic, Latino/a/x and Chicano/a Arts and Cultural Heritage of Denver During Hispanic Heritage Month

**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 honors the many community partners who have worked tirelessly to preserve, share, and advance Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a heritage through arts, culture, and education; and

**WHEREAS**, these community partners serve as living bridges between past, present, and future by uplifting heritage through music, dance, visual arts, theater, storytelling, and cultural education, ensuring that traditions are celebrated, identities are honored, and future generations may take pride in their history; and

**WHEREAS**, through their vision and commitment, these organizations not only protect cherished traditions but also inspire unity, foster creativity, and build greater understanding across cultures, strengthening the bonds that make Denver a place we are proud to call home; and

**WHEREAS,** Denver's Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a communities have shaped and enriched the spirit of our city for generations, weaving their culture and traditions into the very fabric of our shared history; and

**WHEREAS,** Community partners devoted to arts and culture ensure that this heritage remains dynamic and enduring, celebrating identity, fostering belonging, and bringing people together through creativity and pride; and

**WHEREAS**, this Council honors and celebrates the invaluable contributions of Hispanic, Latino/a/x, and Chicano/a artists, educators, and cultural leaders, recognizing their work not only as a cornerstone of Denver's past but also as a guiding light for our future, rooted in resilience, imagination, and community strength.

## 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.

**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 the Mexican Cultural Center, Grupo Tlaloc, Hecho en Westwood, Chicano Humanities & Arts Council (CHAC), In Lak'ech Denver Arts, Museo de las Americas, Baila Conmigo, ArtistiCO, Su Teatro, Grupo Folklorico Sabor Latino, Inc., Latino Cultural Arts Center, and other community partners who celebrate their roots through arts and culture.

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