



# A PROCLAMATION

## BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SMYRNA In Recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month

**Whereas:** during National Hispanic Heritage Month, we recognize the contributions made by Hispanic and Latino Americans in the United States and celebrate their culture and heritage; and

**Whereas:** with over 60 million Hispanic Americans residing in the United States, Hispanic Americans make up the largest minority group in the nation and have significantly contributed to our government, culture, and economy over the generations; and

**Whereas:** the Hispanic community in America has made many important advances in areas of law, religion, agriculture, art, music, education, technology, architecture, cuisine, theatre, and exploration; and,

**Whereas:** nationally, September 15 thru October 15 is National Hispanic Heritage Month and the focal point for recognizing and celebrating the many achievements of Latino Americans and applauding their proud legacy of service and dedication; and

**Whereas:** The 2021 theme for Hispanic Heritage Month is "Esperanza: A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage and Hope"; and

**Whereas:** Smyrna's Hispanic American community will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month through a series of special events featuring Hispanic history, food, dance, and culture, celebrating the rich tradition and many contributions this community has made to the city of Smyrna; and

**Whereas:** we should appreciate and honor the countless achievements of Hispanic Americans and continue our efforts to ensure our city is a welcoming and inclusive place that provides just and equal opportunities for all; Now

**Therefore:** I, Derek Norton, Mayor of the City of Smyrna, Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 15 – October 15, 2021 as Hispanic Heritage Month



*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Smyrna to be affixed upon this 20th day of September in the year of Our Lord 2021.*

*Derek Norton*

Mayor

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