CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1968, President Lyndon B. Johnson first introduced Hispanic Heritage Week to recognize and celebrate the independence of our neighbors in Central America and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, 20 years later, President Ronald Reagan expanded the recognition period from one week to one month, beginning September 15 through October 15; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic and Latino communities in Mountain View represent approximately 22% of our population and are a diverse group with roots throughout Latin America and beyond, with many Latino residents tracing their heritage to the original indigenous communities of Latin America and Africa; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic and Latino residents for many generations have made, and continue to make, significant contributions to the prosperity and culture in Mountain View, the State of California, and our nation; and

WHEREAS, we recognize and celebrate the achievements of our Hispanic and Latino neighbors in every sector, as teachers and business owners, scientists and soldiers, farmworkers and first responders, artists and activists, and colleagues and friends; and

WHEREAS, Mountain View's Hispanic and Latino residents are an integral part of our diverse community's past, present, and future, and we are a greater and more vibrant City because of them;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Margaret Abe-Koga, Mayor of the City of Mountain View, along with my colleagues on the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 15 through October 15 to be

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Signed and sealed this 22nd day of September 2020.



Margaret ABE-KOGA, MAYOR