

City of Pleasant Hill

Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month celebrates the Hispanic and Latinx community and highlights its countless achievements; and

WHEREAS, the observation began in 1968 as Hispanics Heritage Week under President Lyndon B. Johnson, and was enacted into federal law on August 17, 1988, calling upon all the people of the United States to observe this time with ceremonies, activities, and programs; and

WHEREAS, many Latinx Americans trace their roots to the cultures of the indigenous peoples of the Americas- including the Arawaks, the Aztecs, the Incas, the Maya, and the Tainos, and some trace their roots to the Spanish explorers, or to the Africans who were brought as enslaved people to the New World; and

WHEREAS, September 15 - October 15 is recognized as National Hispanic Heritage Month, which is a time to honor the invaluable ways Hispanics and Latinx individuals contribute to our common goals, celebrate their diverse cultures, and to work towards a stronger, more inclusive, and more prosperous society for all; and

WHEREAS, this month's theme is "Esperanza: A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage and Hope." Hispanics and Latinx citizens have and continue to serve as Civil Rights leaders, politicians, military service members, educators, first responders, business leaders, science pioneers, and public servants for our country; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics have enhanced and shaped our national character with centuries old traditions that reflect the multi-ethnic and multicultural customs of their communities, while adding their own distinct and dynamic perspectives to the story of our country; and

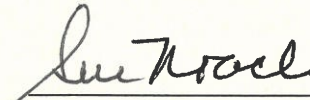
WHEREAS, Hispanic and Latinx Americans represent a significant and fast growing demographic of the City of Pleasant Hill, and we honor the invaluable ways they contribute to our great city.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SUE NOACK, Mayor of the City of Pleasant Hill, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 15 – October 15, 2021 as

"HISPANIC AND LATINX HERITAGE MONTH"

in the City of Pleasant Hill, and encourage our community to join in celebrating the great contributions of Hispanic and Latinx Americans to our city, state, and nation.





SUE NOACK, Mayor
September 13, 2021