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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO._____C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NOEL GALLO

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 15TH THROUGH OCTOBER 15TH AS "NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH" AND HONORING OUR GRANDPARENTS IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND

WHEREAS, each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15 by celebrating the histories, cultures, heritage, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors are from Spain, Mexico, Central and South America; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics are leaders in all aspects of our national life, from the Supreme Court and halls of Congress, members of United States Armed Forces, police departments, teachers, entrepreneur mentors; and

WHEREAS, the day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua and additionally Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics represent 25.4 percent of Oakland's population which is approximately 100,000 people, 37.6 percent of California's population, and now there are 8 states with a population of 1 million or more Hispanic residents in the United States; and

WHEREAS, presently, the Hispanic Population is the plurality in California for the first time since California became a state; and

WHEREAS, by 2030, Latinos will be California's largest workforce; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council recognizes, September 15 through October 15 as National Hispanic Heritage Month.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2015

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES-   BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES-

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ATTEST:_____
LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California

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