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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.	 C.M.S

## INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NOEL GALLO

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup> OF THE YEAR 2019 AS "NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH,"

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Week, began in 1968 under President Lyndon Johnson, was expanded to National Hispanic Heritage Month by President Ronald Reagan and enacted into law in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15, the day which represents the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries; and

WHEREAS, We acknowledge that the term Hispanic is not representative to all those who are from Latin America. Hispanic/Latinx are a mixture of a rich and diverse ethnic groups; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bureau of the Census estimates the Hispanic/Latinx population living in Oakland as of 2018 is 27 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanics/ Latinx are leaders in all aspects of our national life, from the Supreme court and halls of congress, members of the United States Armed Forces, educators, small business owners etc; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month we honor the following outstanding Hispanic/Latinx individuals and organizations, who through their groundbreaking work and innovation have promoted positive change for the City of Oakland and all its residents; and

WHEREAS, District 1 is honoring

WHEREAS, District 2 is honoring proud resident Camilo Sol Zamora, with Causa Justa: Just Cause. Camilo is a first generation, transgender Nicoya immigrant with roots in San Francisco, where he was raised by his mother and beloved matriarch and grandmother, Rosita. He first began doing community work in the Mission District by providing outreach and direct services to immigrant youth in middle and high schools while at Good Samaritan Family Resource Center and Mission Neighborhood Center. While doing this work he saw many youth and their families experience major housing

problems that impacted the youth and their families tremendously. Armed with a spirit to fight for stronger housing rights for both Black and Latino communities, Camilo joined Causa Justa in 2009 and started its first Tenant Rights Clinic in Oakland. Since then Camilo has gone on to lead organizational base-building, and civic engagement work, including leading the Measure JJ campaign in Oakland in 2016 that won at the ballot and saw the largest advancement of eviction protections for tenants since 2002, and most recently leading the Measure Y campaign, which won and expanded eviction protection to vulnerable tenants living in owner-occupied duplexes and triplexes. Camilo currently sits on the board at the Right to the City Alliance, as well as the Steering Committee for the Regional Tenant Organizing (RTO) Network; and

WHEREAS, District 3 is honoring

WHEREAS, District 4 is honoring

WHEREAS, District 5 is honoring Gabriela Galicia, Executive Director at Street Level Health Project, the daughter of immigrant parents and the first of her family to graduate from college; with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and a minor in Ethnic Studies with a concentration in Chicano Studies from University of California, Berkeley, has pioneered and developed Oakland Workers' Collective (day laborer program) that creates a safe and empowering space for day laborers and low wage workers. Because of her tireless efforts, this program has gained visibility and recognition, becoming the singular long-term city-recognized day laborer program in Oakland, and the only day laborer program recognized by the AFL-CIO on the west coast; and

WHEREAS, District 6 is honoring The Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce. It was established in 2017 to promote and support Latino/Hispanic businesses & culture with a commitment towards creating a healthy business environment through collaboration, advocacy and economic development. The Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce has been focused on the development of small local Latino businesses to help them establish and thrive in order to reinvest into the same community they came from; and

**WHEREAS,** District 7 is honoring ; now, therefore, be it

WHEREAS, District At- Large is honoring

WHEREAS, Office of the Mayor is honoring

**RESOLVED:** That the City of Oakland herby honors and commends the following individuals in recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month 2019:

- District 1 Honoree
- Camilo Sol Zamora
- District 3 Honoree
- District 4 Honoree

- Gabriela Galicia
- The Latino Chamber of Commerce
- District 7
- District At-Large

;And be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That these Hispanic/Latinx individuals and organizations are recognized for their tireless resilience, efforts and commitment to uplift and enhance the City of Oakland and the lives of all its residents.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS

City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the

City of Oakland, California