

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN,
I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

September 15 – October 15, 2020
as
HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

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, Hispanic Americans have provided Michigan and the United States with unique social and cultural influences, fundamentally enriching the extraordinary character of our state and nation; and,

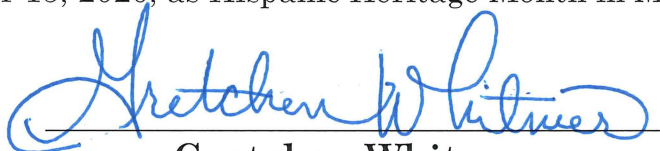
WHEREAS, Michigan is fortunate to count among its population a large number of residents of Spanish and Latin American descent, who grow businesses, offer innovative ideas, strengthen our economy, create jobs, and contribute to our daily lives; and,

WHEREAS, during this month, Michigan's Hispanic American community will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month through a series of special events featuring Hispanic history, food, dance, and art, celebrating the rich tradition and many contributions this community has made to the state of Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, we should appreciate and honor the countless achievements of Hispanic Americans and continue our efforts to ensure our state is a welcoming and inclusive place that provides just and equal opportunities for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim September 15 - October 15, 2020, as Hispanic Heritage Month in Michigan.




Gretchen Whitmer
Governor

