

**MOTION: Ginoba**

**September 12, 2024  
Regular Meeting  
HRC RES 24-08**

**SECOND: Baldwin**

**RE: RESOLUTION TO DECLARE, AFFIRM AND RECOGNIZE THE MONTHS  
SEPTEMBER 15 TO OCTOBER 15, 2024, AS HISPANIC HERITAGE  
MONTH**

**ACTION:**

**WHEREAS**, to honor the achievements of Hispanics, Congress has authorized and requested the President of the United States to issue a proclamation annually designating September 15 through October 15 as “National Hispanic Heritage Month.”

**WHEREAS**, this year’s theme “*Pioneers of Change: Shaping the Future Together*”, is meant to capture the spirit of unity, resilience, and innovation.

**WHEREAS**, Hispanics account for approximately 25.2 percent of the Prince William County population and number more than 63.7 million or 19.5 percent of the population in the United States; making Hispanics the largest minority group in the country, and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanics contribute to the incredible diversity of the tenth most diverse county in the nation and the most diverse county in the Commonwealth of Virginia, with its rich history of different cultures and racial make-ups within the Hispanic community; and

**WHEREAS**, we, as a community and as a government, are proud of the cultural enrichment brought by our diverse Hispanic population and celebrate the many accomplishments of Hispanics throughout our Nation, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Prince William County

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William County Human Rights Commission declares, affirms, and recognizes the month of September 15 to October 15, 2024, as Hispanic Heritage Month and urges all citizens and residents to join and support all County celebrations honoring the rich heritage of our Hispanic workforce and residents during this period.

**Votes:**

**Ayes:** Porter, BruMar, Baldwin, Pratter, Ginoba

**Nays:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Absent from the meeting:** Young, Laso, Johnston, Muz

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_



Executive Director